



Do we understand nuclear collectivity?  
*Lifetime measurements for sensitive tests  
of nuclear structure theories*

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*“Nuclear quadrupole moments form a horizontal view of nuclear structure which, if not regarded as fundamental, ought to be so regarded.”*

*“There is a serious lack of quadrupole moment data. One fundamental difficulty is that 25% of all nuclei (even–even nuclei) have spin-zero ground states and so, for quantum mechanical reasons, their ground-state quadrupole moments are zero. In order to “see” the deformation of such nuclei, either a model-dependent feature such as a rotational band of excited states is needed, or a modelindependent feature such as a quadrupole moment of the  $2^+_{1}$  state is needed. The former is very easy to observe, the latter is extremely difficult to measure.”*

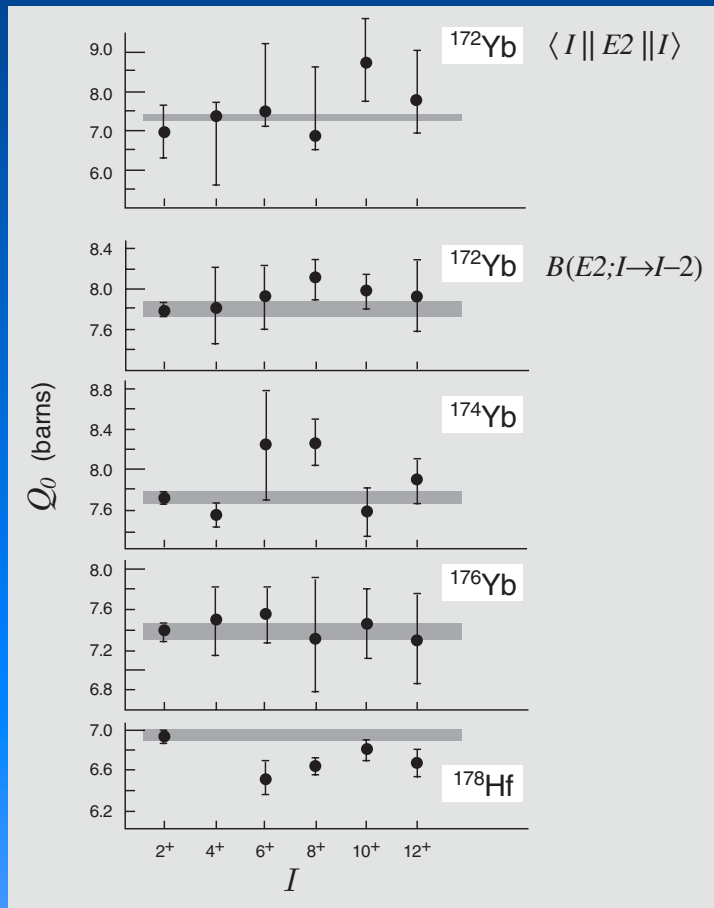
*“... some patterns of excitation energies, while they may appear to be near-perfect examples of simple collective dynamics in nuclei, can be very misleading. Detailed maps of E2 matrix elements are vital to the exploration of low-energy quadrupole collectivity in nuclei.”*

*“The most conservative statement that can be made about nuclear moments of inertia is that we do not understand them”*

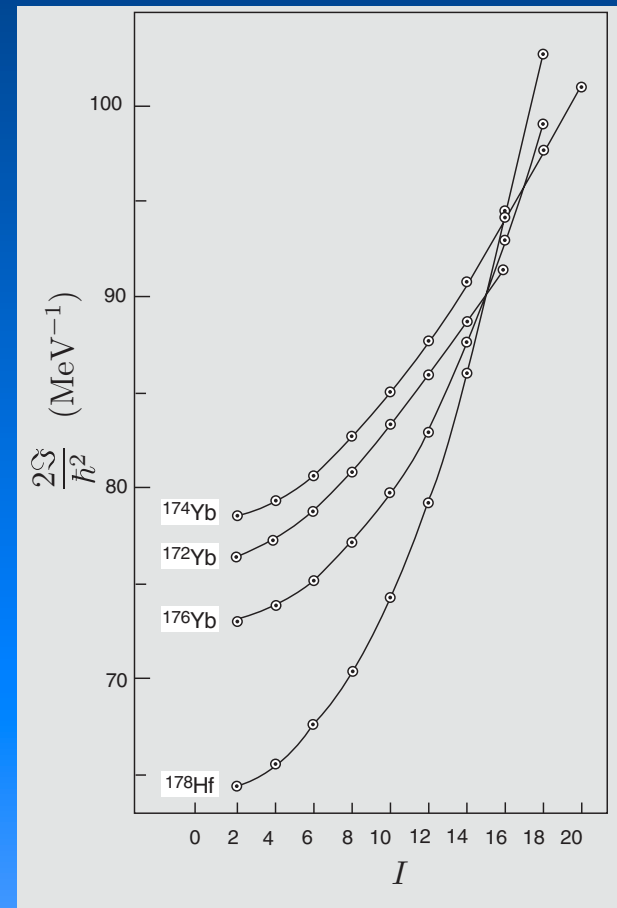
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*Emergent Phenomena in Atomic Nuclei from Large-Scale Modeling  
World Scientific, 2017*



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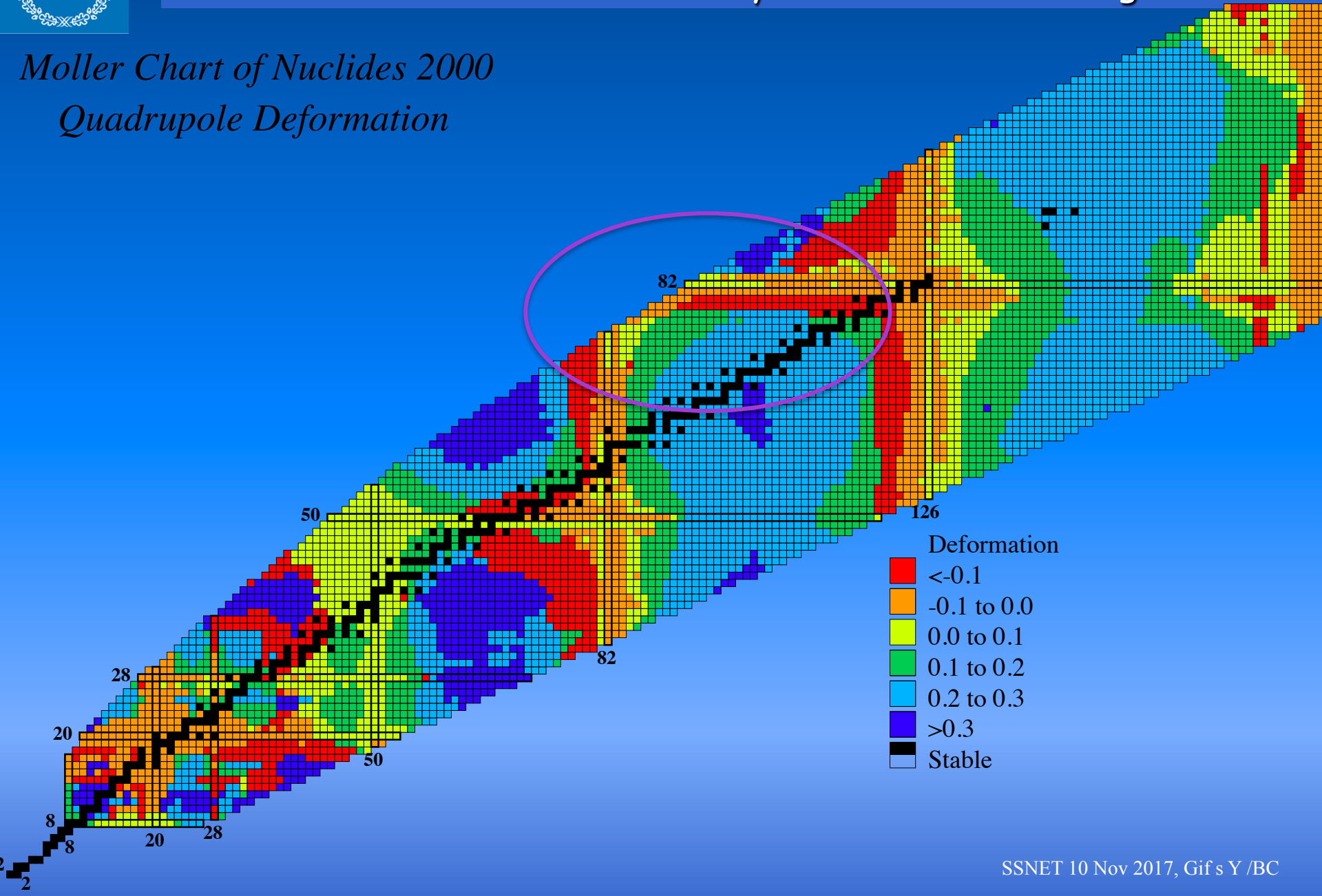
(b)

Fig. 7. (a) Intrinsic quadrupole moments,  $Q_0$ , for  $^{172,174,176}\text{Yb}$  and  $^{178}\text{Hf}$  extracted using rotor-model relationships for  $E2$  matrix elements. The figure is taken from Ref. [17]. (b) Moments of inertia for  $^{172,174,176}\text{Yb}$  and  $^{178}\text{Hf}$  extracted using rotor-model relationships for the energies. The figure is taken from Ref. [17].

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# Part I: $B(E2:2^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$ in $^{162,164}\text{W}$ and evolution of collectivity in the rare earth region

*Moller Chart of Nuclides 2000*  
*Quadrupole Deformation*



- Plunger measurements using JurogamII+RITU+DPUNS @ JYFL
- Theoretical predictions using various theoretical approaches:

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### **Deformed QRPA**

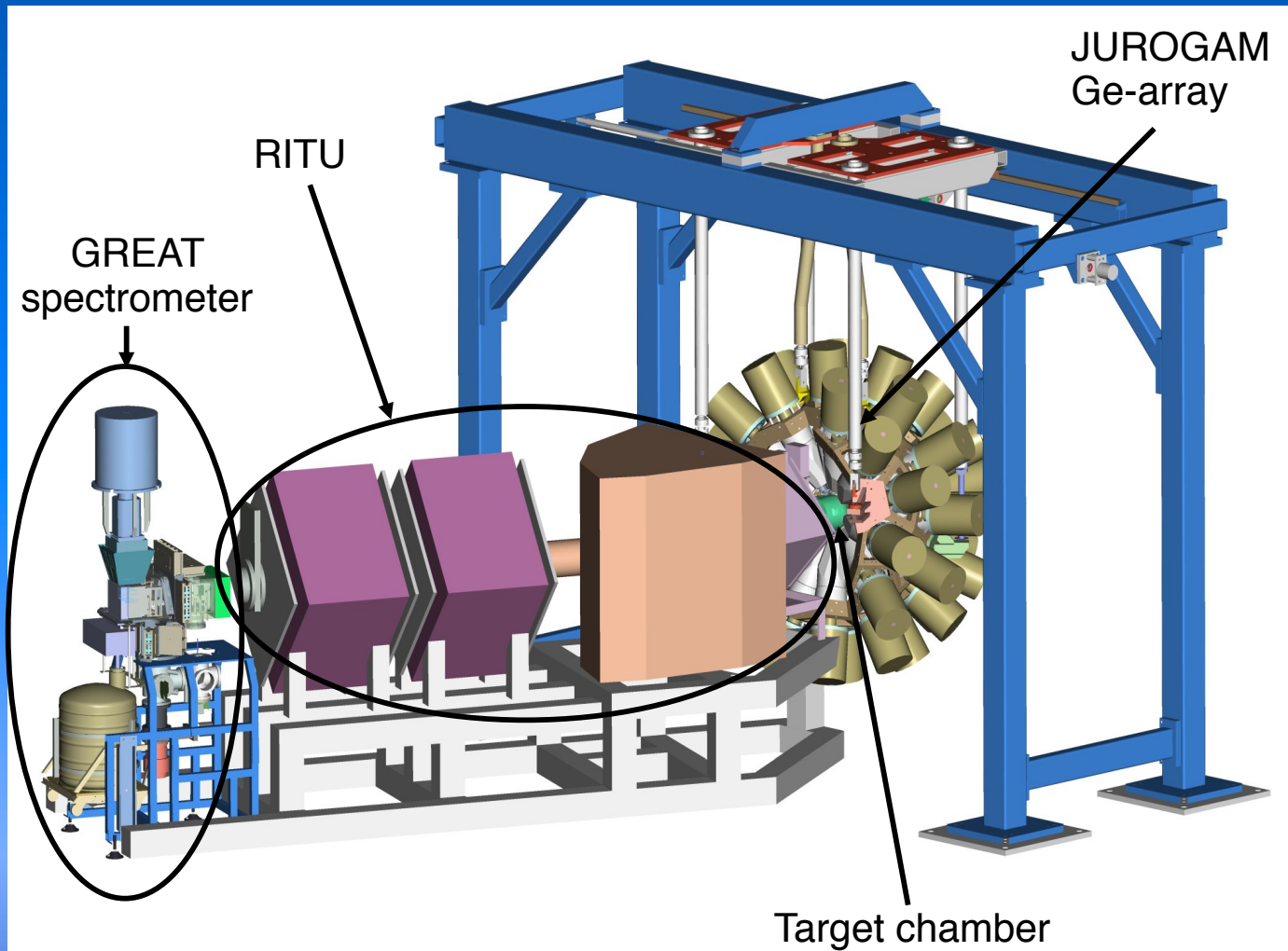
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P.O. Lipas, P. Haapakoski, T. Honkaranta, Phys. Scripta 13, 339 (1976)

# Experimental set-up at JYFL Univ. of Jyväskylä Cyclotron Laboratory



# Recoil-decay tagging at JYFL – JUROGAM-RITU

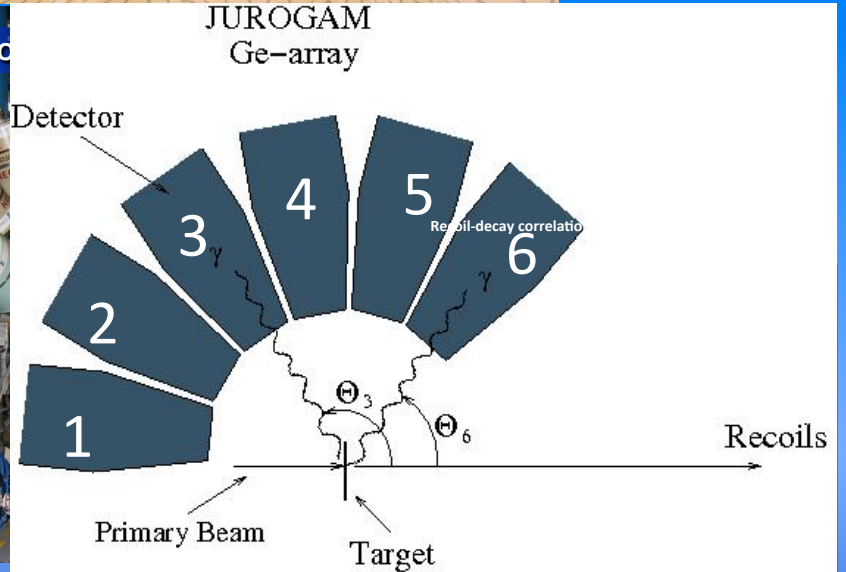
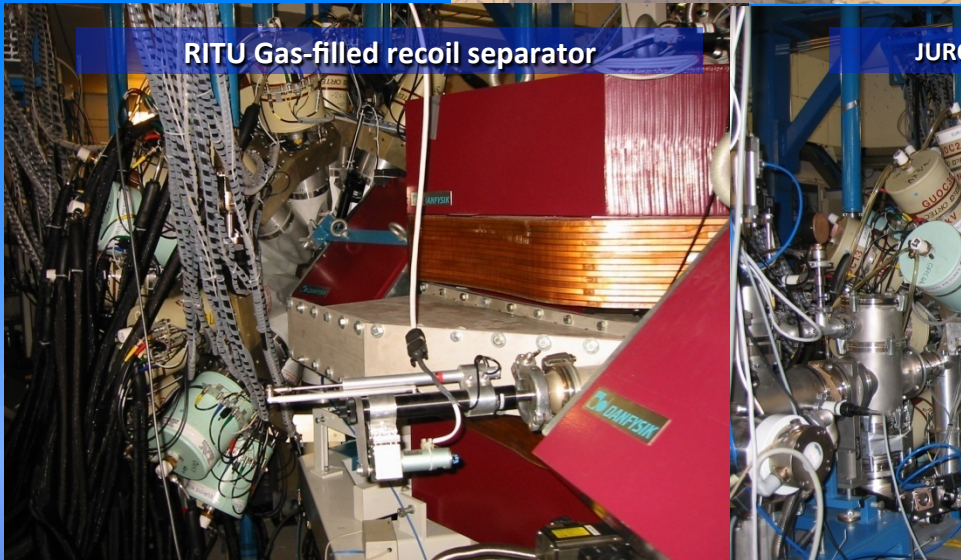
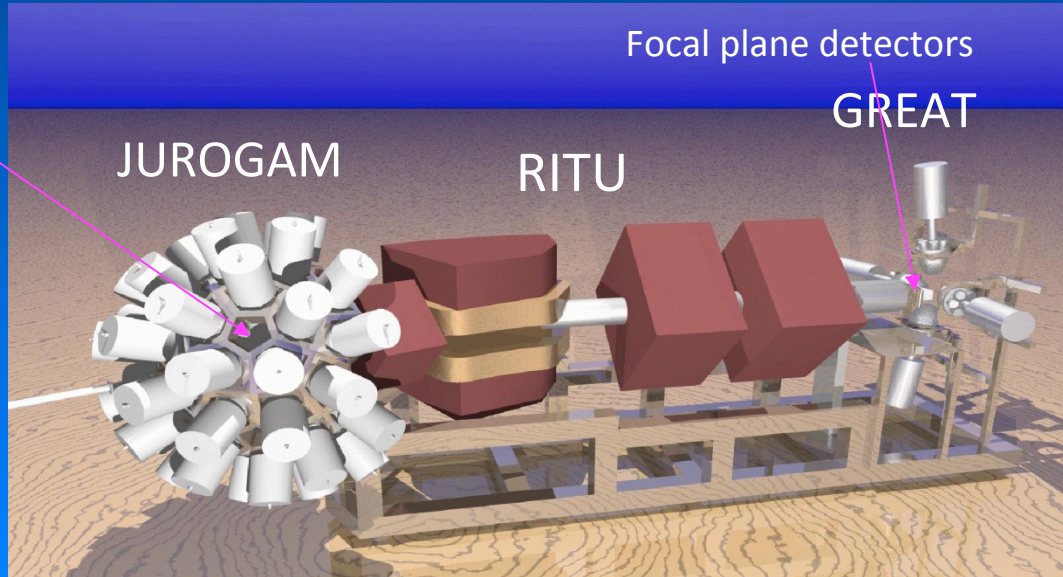
Detection of prompt gamma rays

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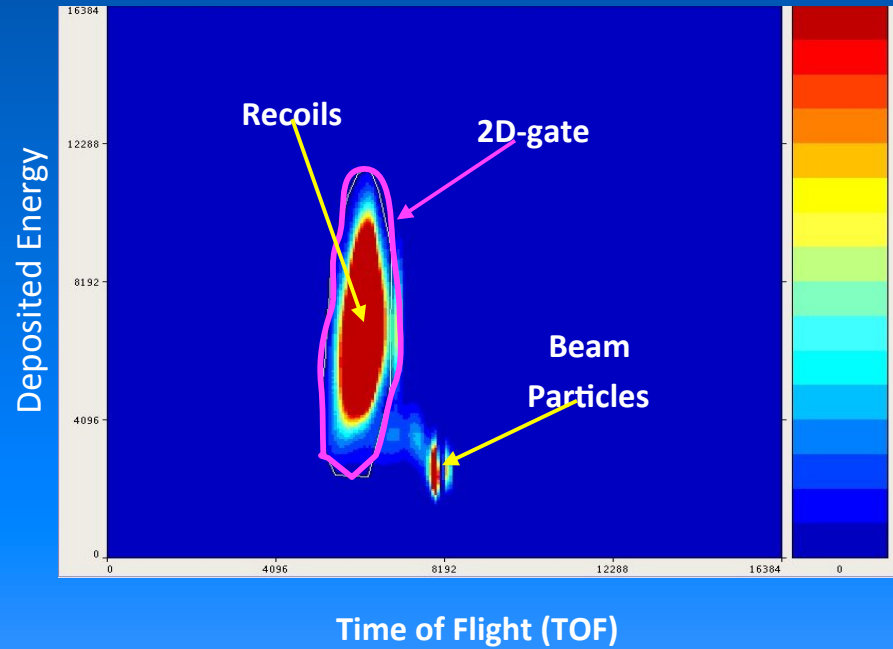
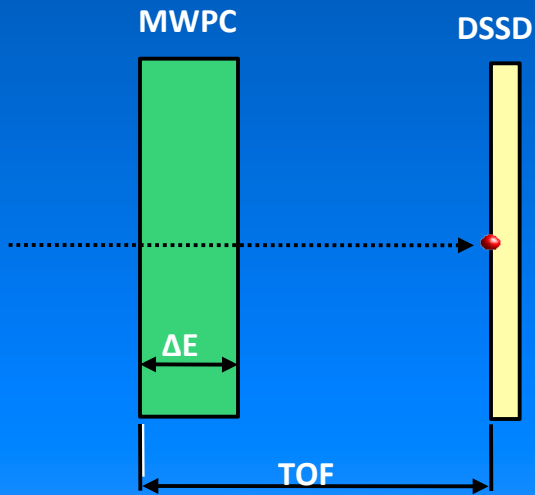
Total photo-peak efficiency

4.2% at 1.3 MeV

→ 6% with JUROGAM II



# Recoil selection

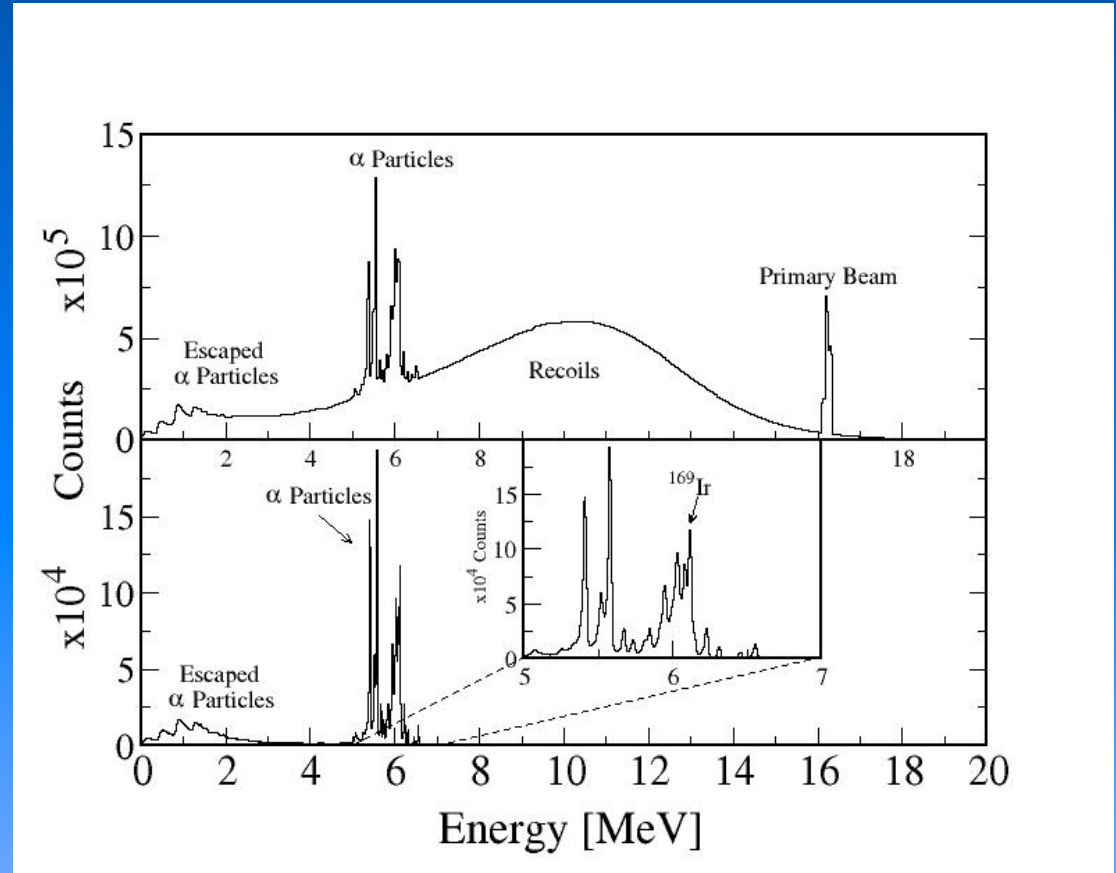
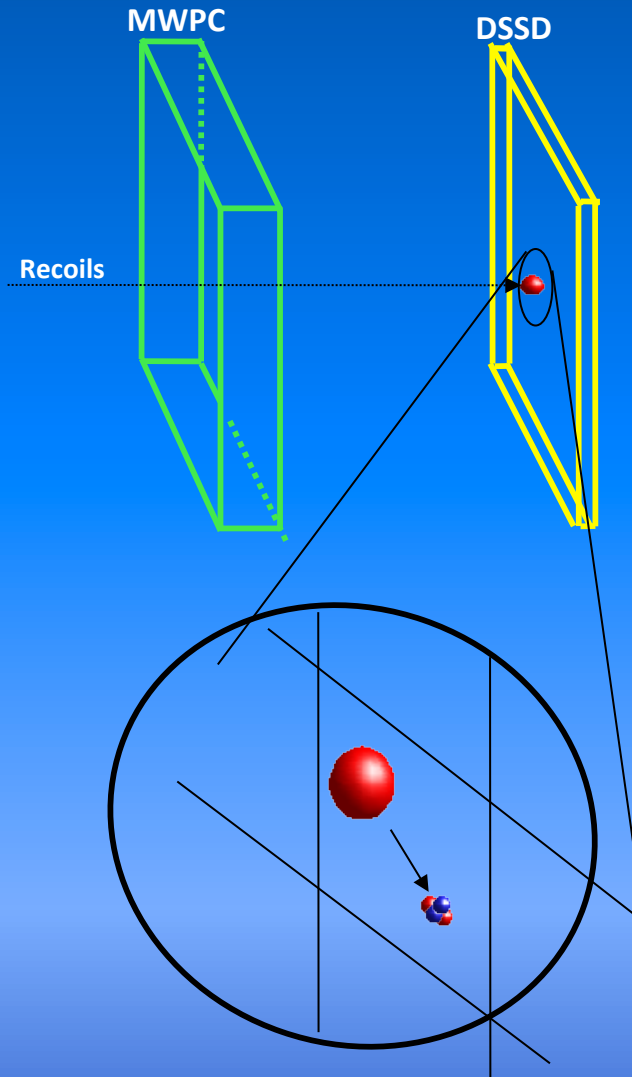


Recoil identification by means of energy loss ( $\Delta E$ ) and time-of-flight consideration

Anything not passing the 2D TOF-DE gate is vetoed



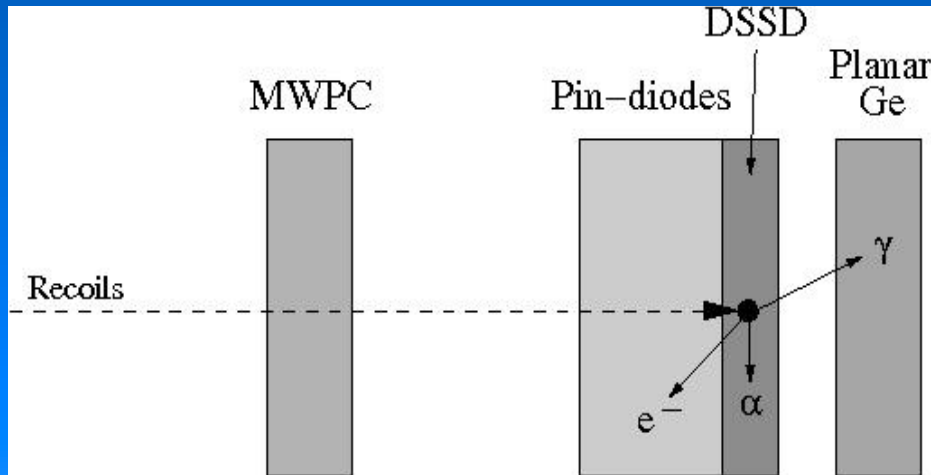
# Charged particle detection and recoil identification



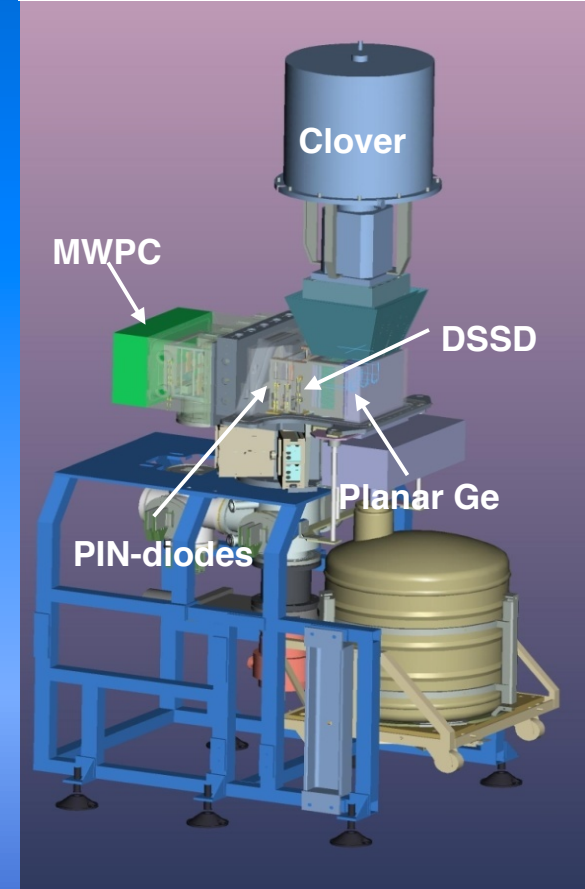
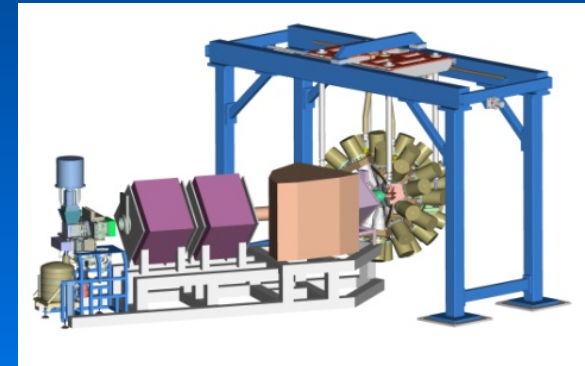
The MWPC acts as a veto detector for identification of recoil-decay products

Anything NOT passing the MWPC is a delayed decay event identifying the recoil

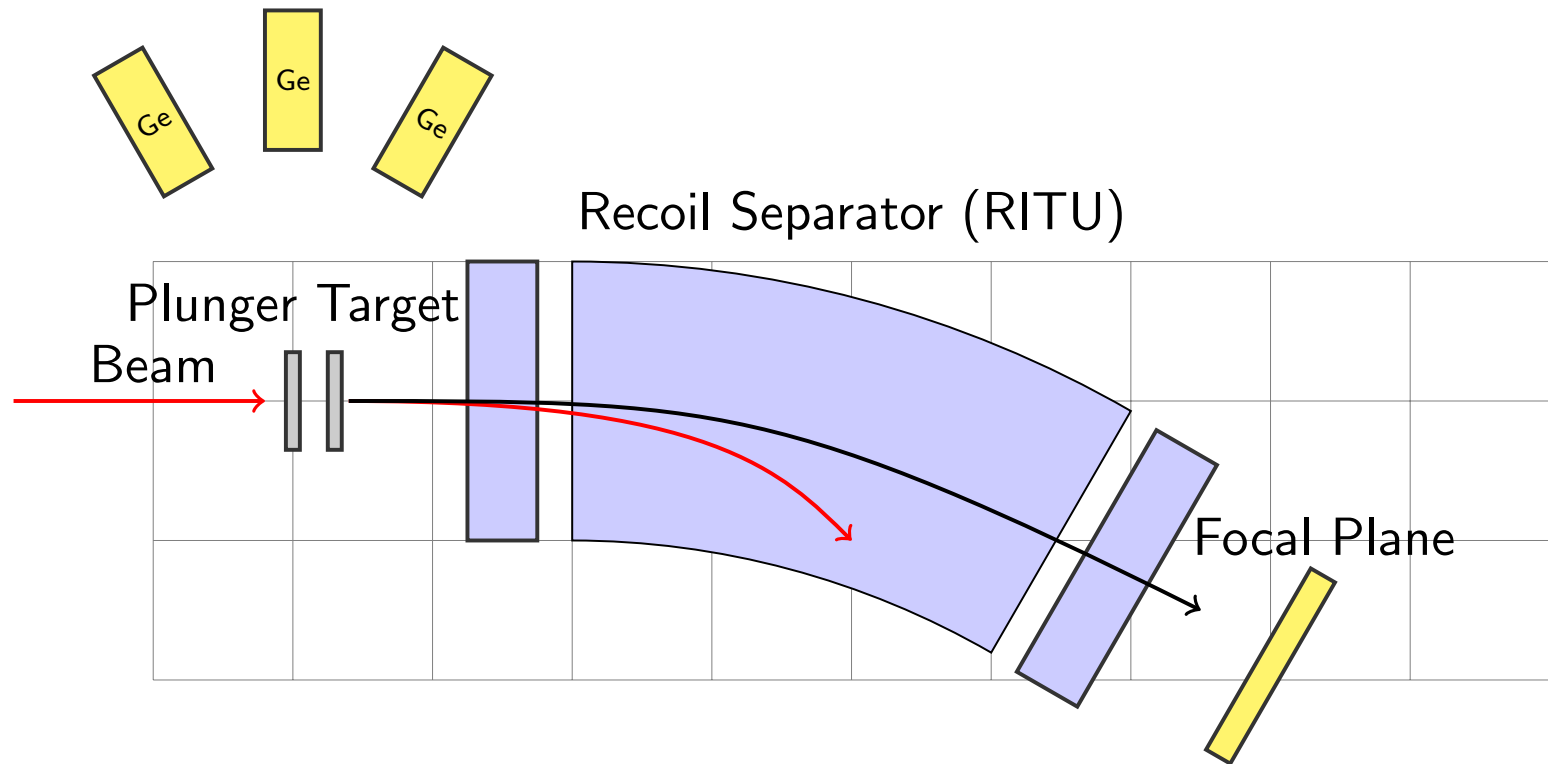
# Gamma Recoil Electron Alpha Tagging - GREAT



- MWPC** - Multi Wire Proportional Counter: Recoil discriminator
- PIN-diodes**: Detection of  $\beta$ -particles and conversion  $e^-$
- DSSD** - Double-sided Silicon Strip Detector:  
Charged particle detection (alpha, proton)
- Planar Ge and Clover**: Detection of delayed gamma rays following radioactive decays or from isomeric states

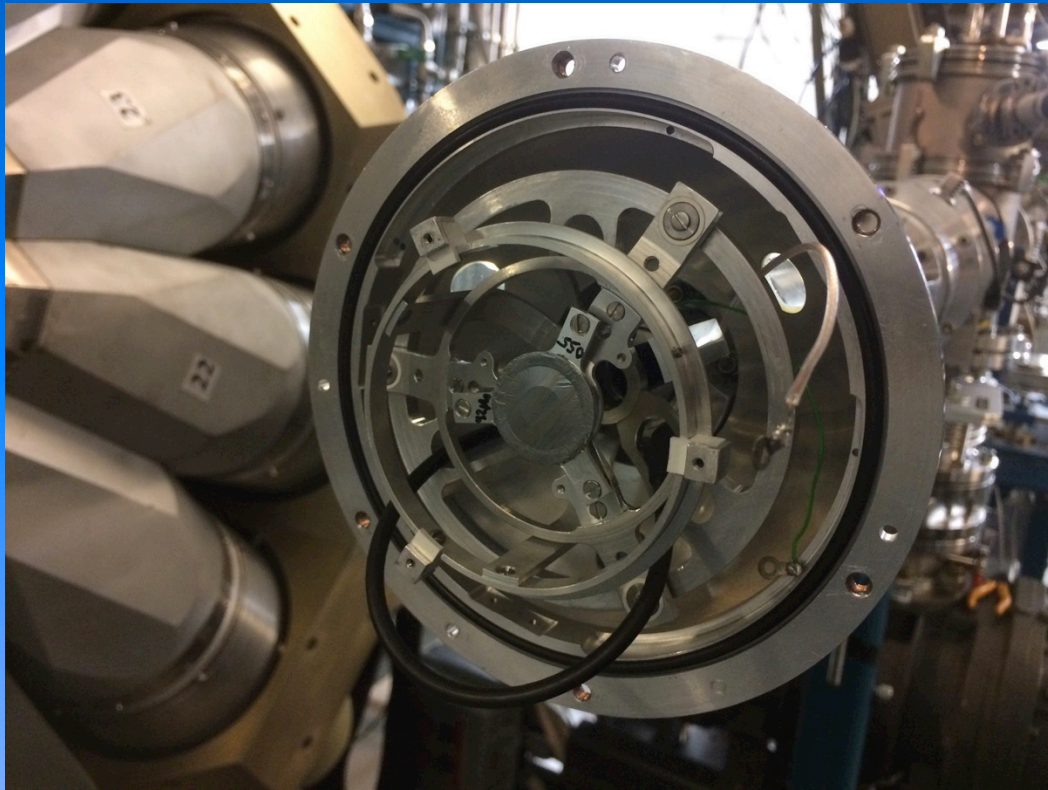


# Recoil Decay Tagging combined with a differential plunger

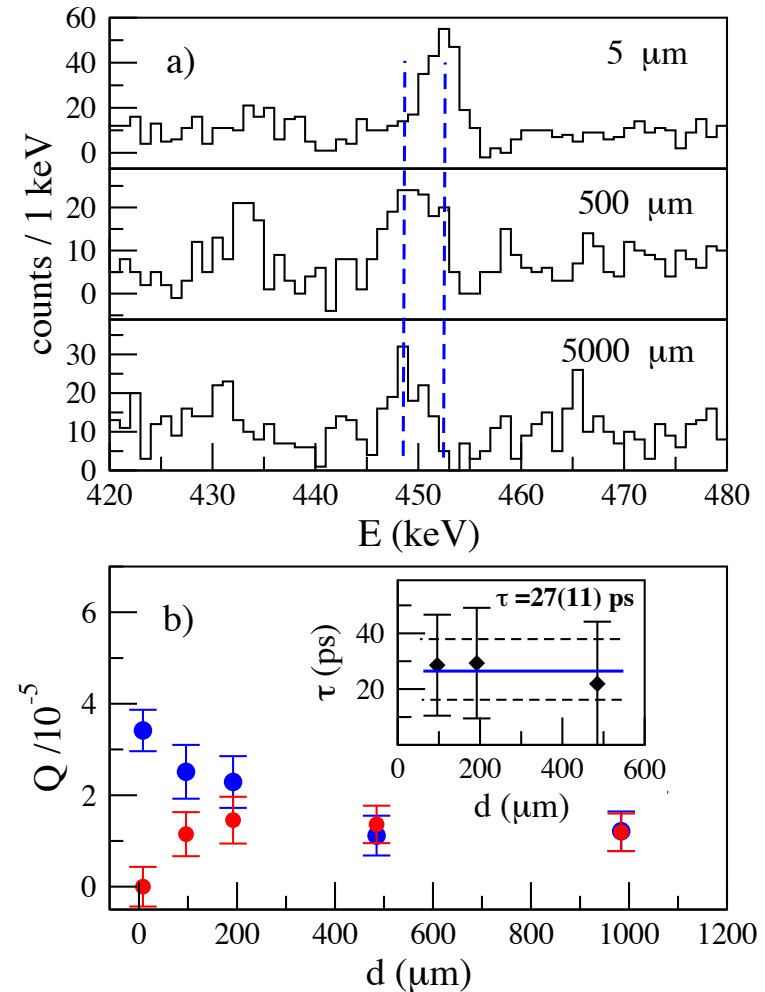


# Lifetime measurements of excited states in $^{162}\text{W}$ and $^{164}\text{W}$ and the evolution of collectivity in rare-earth nuclei

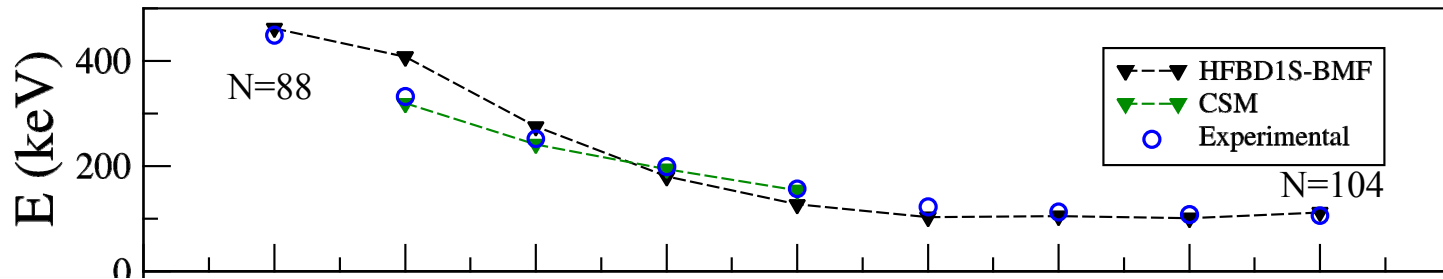
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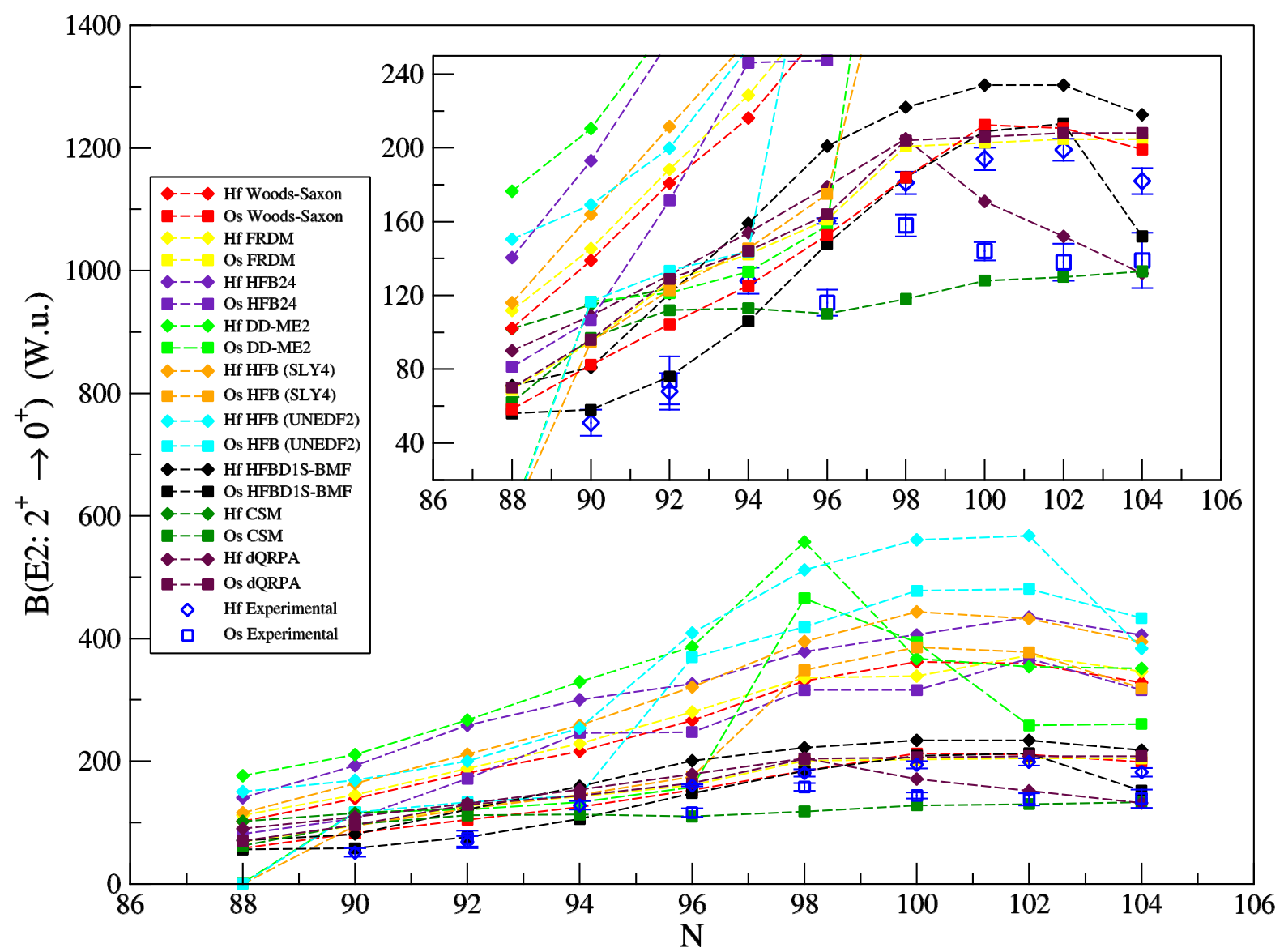
JR109:  $^{92}\text{Mo}(^{78}\text{Kr}, 2\alpha)^{162}\text{W}$  @ 380 MeV  
**18 neutrons away from stability**

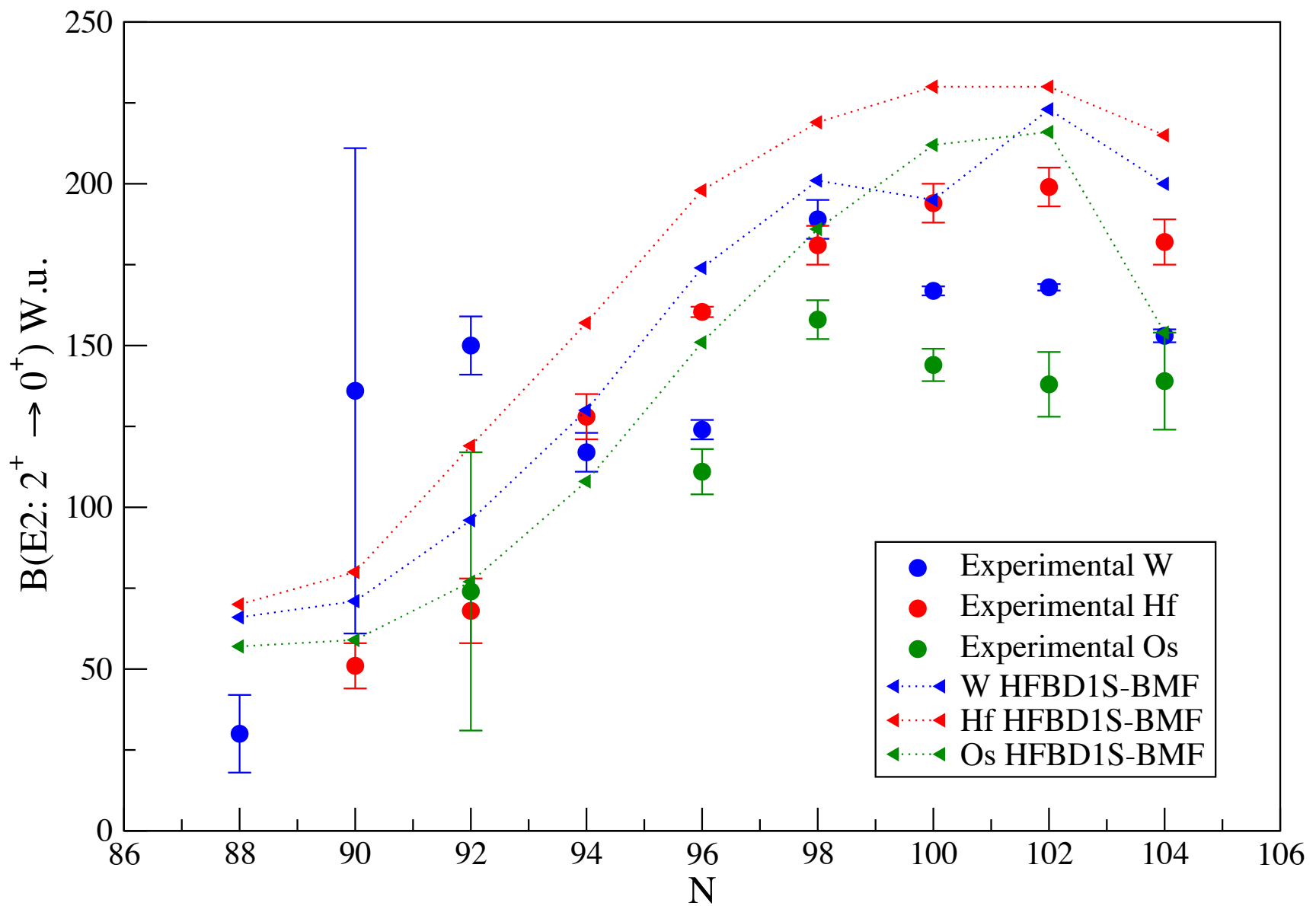


# Predictions of $B(E2:2^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$ in $W$ vs expt



# Predictions of $B(E2: 2^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$ in Hf, Os vs expt





## Systematics of the First $2^+$ Excitation with the Gogny Interaction

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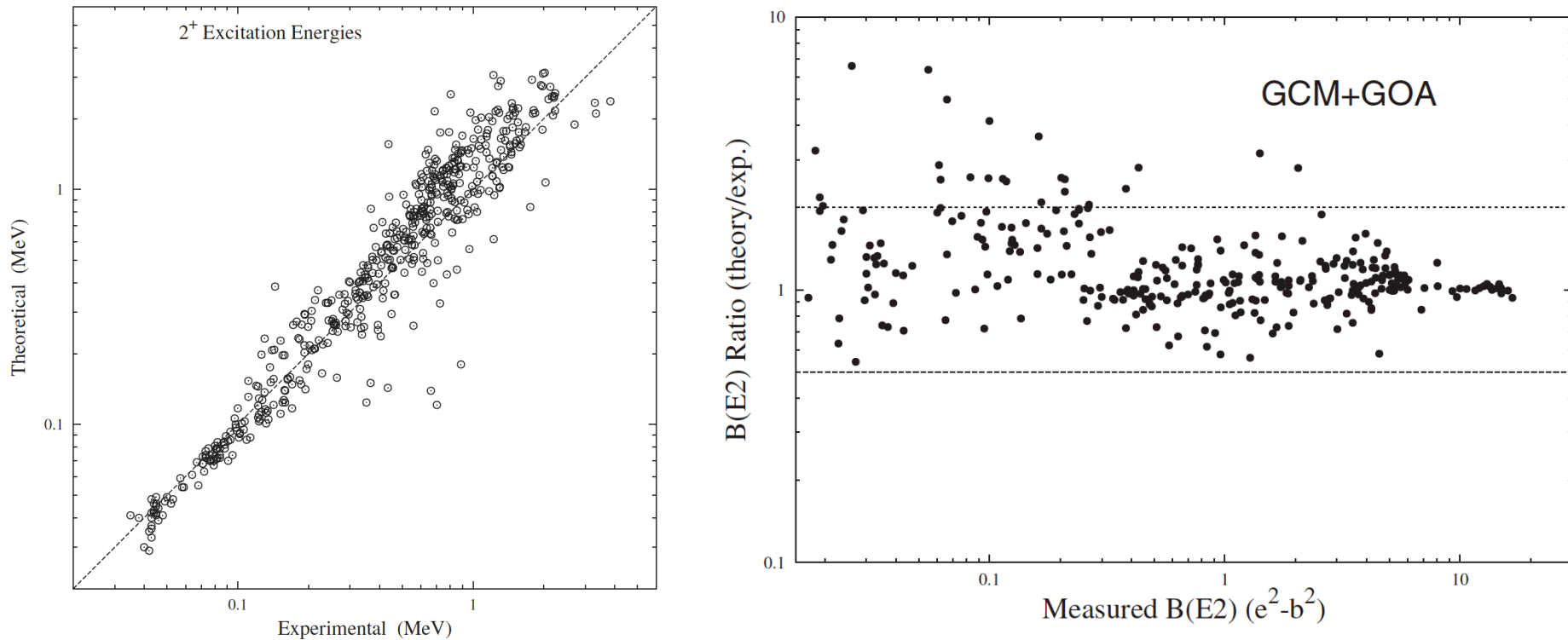
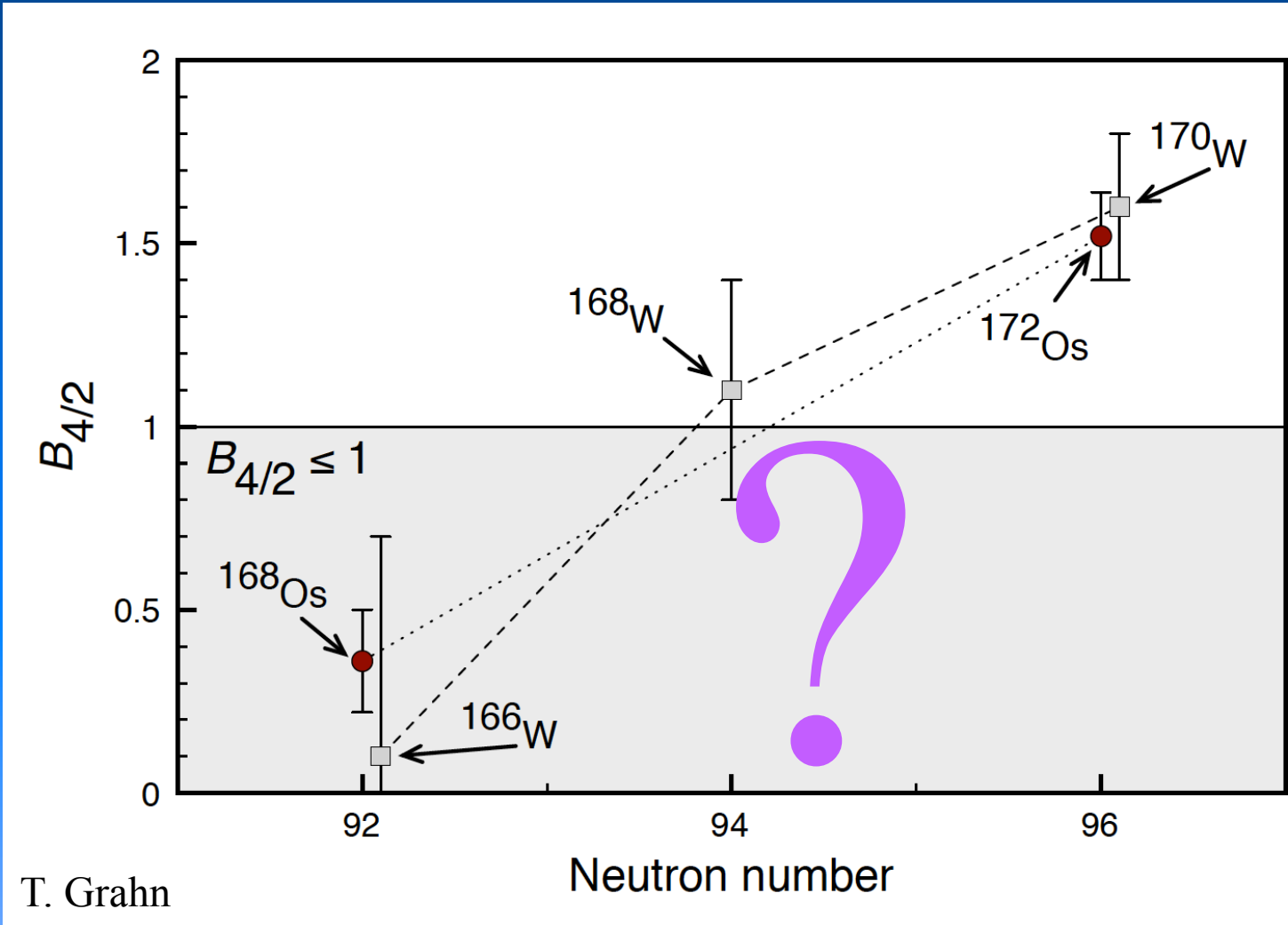


FIG. 1. Scatter plot of 519 even-even nuclei as a function of their experimental and theoretical  $2^+$  excitation energies.





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See talk by Tuomas Grahn!

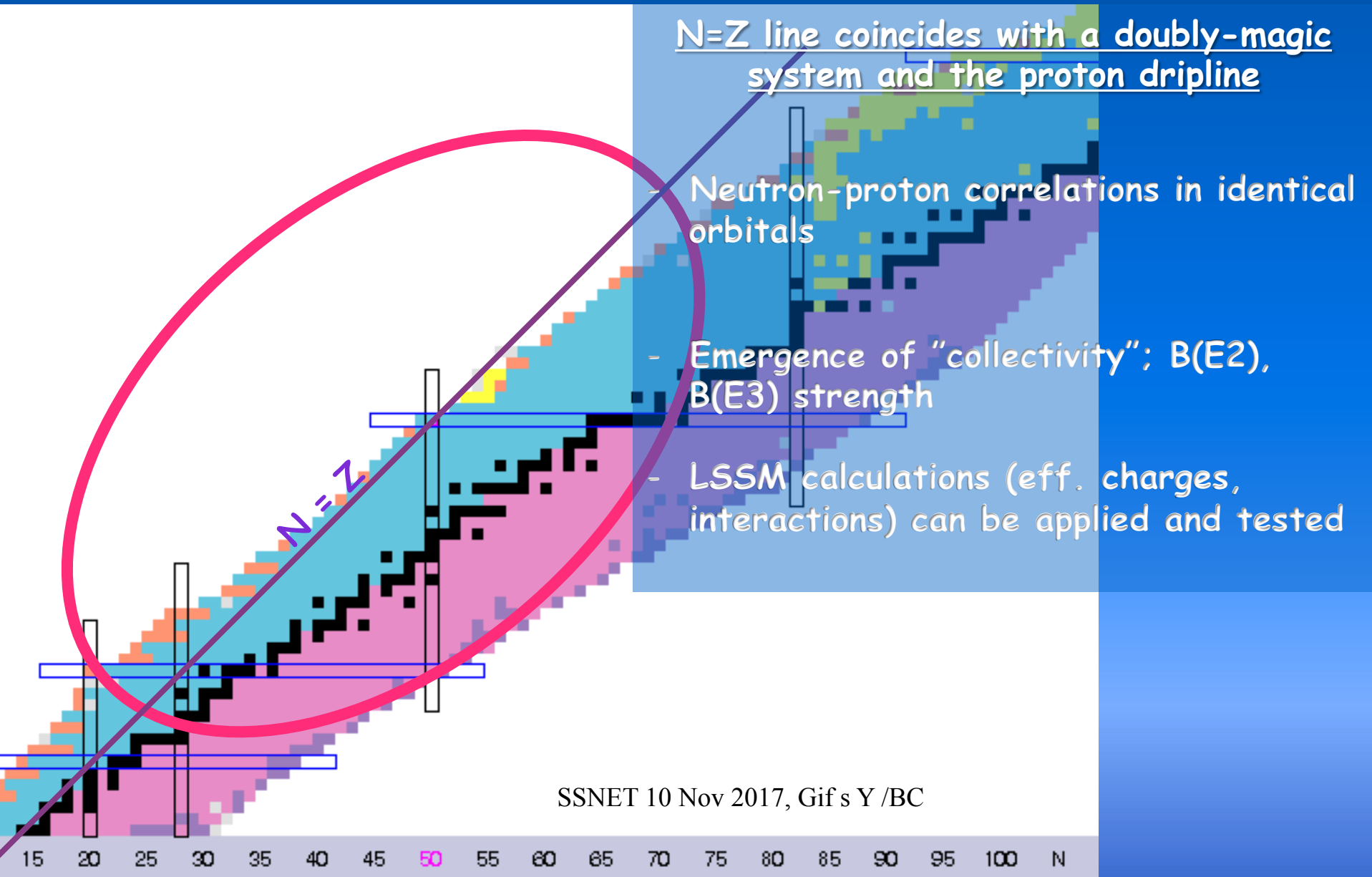
# Do we understand nuclear collectivity ?

State-of-the art models show striking deficiencies

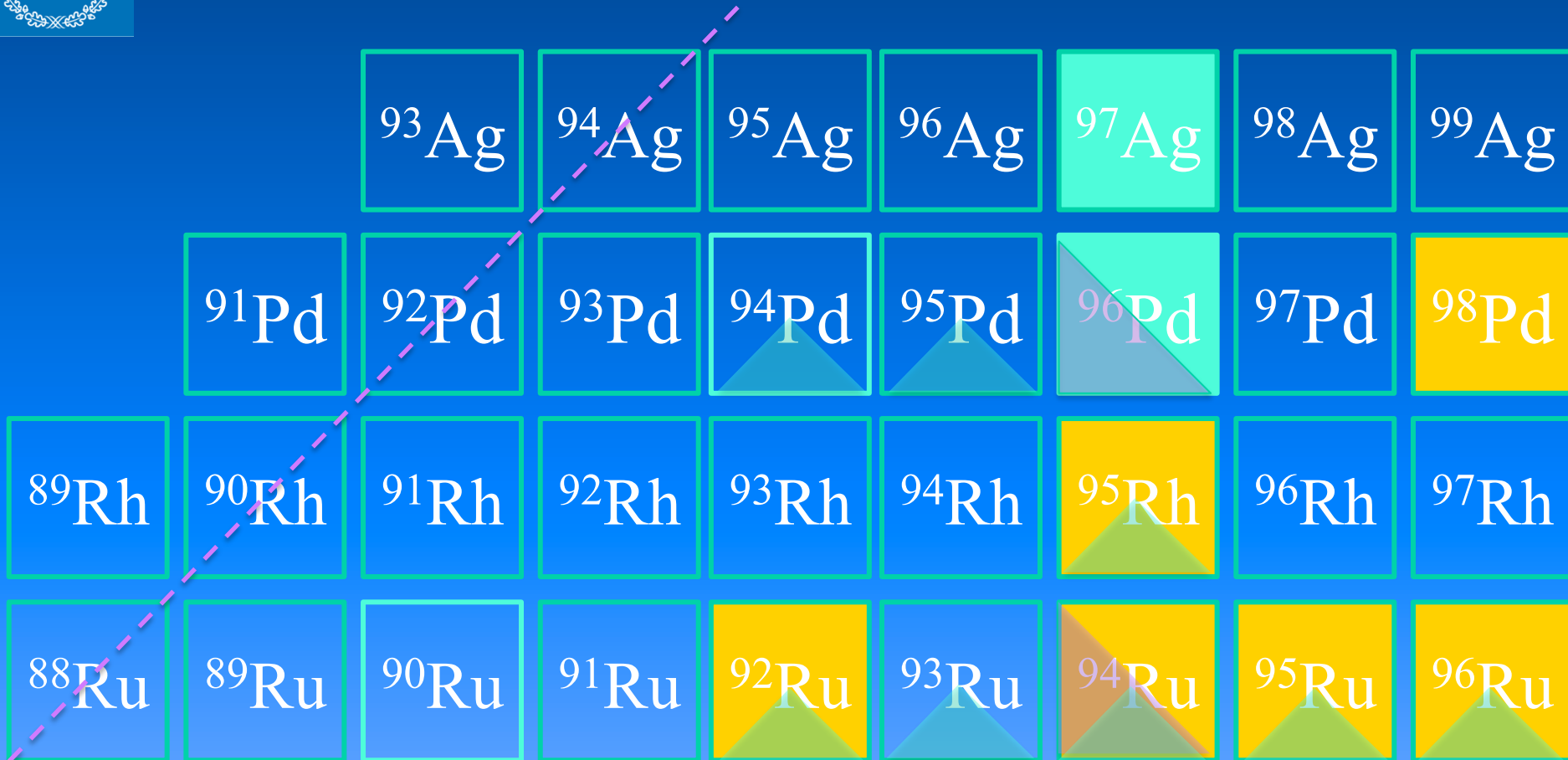
Ab initio?

EFT?

# Part II: Nuclear structure around $^{100}\text{Sn}$ - near the "top" of the $N=Z$ line



# Overview of lifetime measurements of low-spin states SW of $^{100}\text{Sn}$



- Fast timing
- RDDS
- Ge timing

**FT**  
 $^{96}\text{Pd}$ : limit  $2^+$ , value  $4^+, 6^+, 8$

**RDDS**  
 $^{98}\text{Pd}$ : limit  $2^+$ , value  $4^+, 6^+, 8^+$   
 $^{95}\text{Rh}$ : 7 limits, value 9 states  
 $^{92}\text{Ru}$ : 9 limits, value 8 states  
 $^{94}\text{Ru}$ : 7 limits, value 10 states  
 $^{95}\text{Ru}$ : 15 limits, value 11 states  
 $^{96}\text{Ru}$ : 2 limits, value 11 states

# B(E2) measurements provide critical tests of theory in the $N \approx 50, A \approx 90$ region

Data from H. Mach et al. (GANIL data, unpub.) and ENSDF)

Calculations by H. Grawe (A. Korgul et al, PRC 2017.)

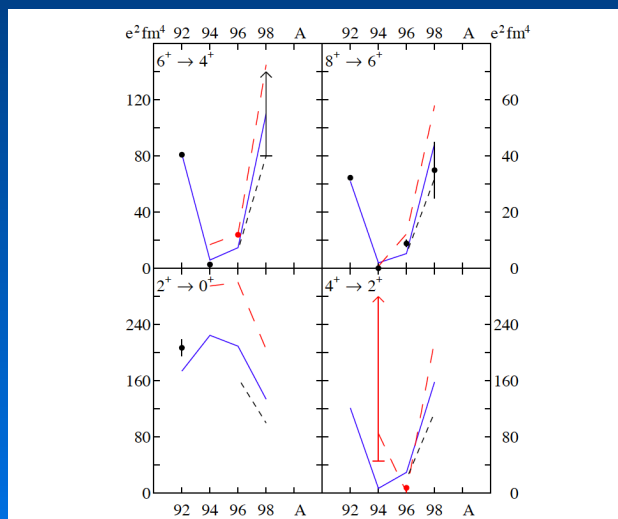


FIG. 4: Experimental B(E2) strengths for yrast transitions in even  $N=50$  isotones in comparison to shell model predictions in the proton ( $f_{5/2}, p, g_{9/2}$ ) model space for the approaches SMLB (full line) and SMCC (short dashed). The calculation including excitations of the  $^{100}\text{Sn}$  is shown as long dashed line. Data are from present work and [23]

TABLE I: Experimental halfives and B(E2) strengths in comparison to various shell model predictions

Nucleus	$I_i^\pi \rightarrow I_f^\pi$	$T_{1/2}$ [ns]	$B_{EX}(E2)$ [ $e^2 fm^4$ ]	$B_{SMCC}(E2)$ [ $e^2 fm^4$ ]	$B_{SMLB}(E2)$ [ $e^2 fm^4$ ]	$B_{SDGN}(E2)$ [ $e^2 fm^4$ ]
$^{94}\text{Ru}$	$2^+ \rightarrow 0^+$	$\leq 0.01$	$\geq 9.5$	184	225	295
	$4^+ \rightarrow 2^+$	$\leq 0.05$	$\geq 46$	2.6	6.8	85.2
	$6^+ \rightarrow 4^+$	65(2)	2.89(10)	1.7	6.1	17.3
	$8^+ \rightarrow 6^+$	71000(4000)	0.090(5)	0.68	2.0	0.77
$^{95}\text{Rh}$	$21/2^+ \rightarrow 17/2_1^+$	2.1(3)	29(4)	1.3	0.74	25.7
	$21/2^+ \rightarrow 17/2_2^+$		136(20)	120	188	212.8
$^{96}\text{Pd}$	$2^+ \rightarrow 0^+$	$\leq 0.017$	$\geq 6$	157	209	300
	$4^+ \rightarrow 2^+$	1.0(1)	3.8(4)	20	30	1.4
	$6^+ \rightarrow 4^+$	6.3(6)	24(2)	14	14.8	24.5
	$8^+ \rightarrow 6^+$	2200(300)	8.9(13)	5.4	5.25	12.3
$^{98}\text{Cd}$	$2^+ \rightarrow 0^+$			97	134	205
	$4^+ \rightarrow 2^+$			112	158	217
	$6^+ \rightarrow 4^+$	$\leq 20$	$\geq 80$	79	110	145
	$8^+ \rightarrow 6^+$	170(50)	35(10)	32	44	57.5

## Transition from the seniority regime to collective motion

J. J. Ressler,<sup>1</sup> R. F. Casten,<sup>1</sup> N. V. Zamfir,<sup>1</sup> C. W. Beausang,<sup>1</sup> R. B. Cakirli,<sup>1,2</sup> H. Ai,<sup>1</sup> H. Amro,<sup>1</sup> M. A. Caprio,<sup>1</sup> A. A. Hecht,<sup>1</sup> A. Heinz,<sup>1</sup> S. D. Langdown,<sup>1,3</sup> E. A. McCutchan,<sup>1</sup> D. A. Meyer,<sup>1</sup> C. Plettner,<sup>1</sup> P. H. Regan,<sup>1,3</sup> M. J. S. Sciacchitano,<sup>1</sup> and A. D. Yamamoto<sup>1,3</sup>

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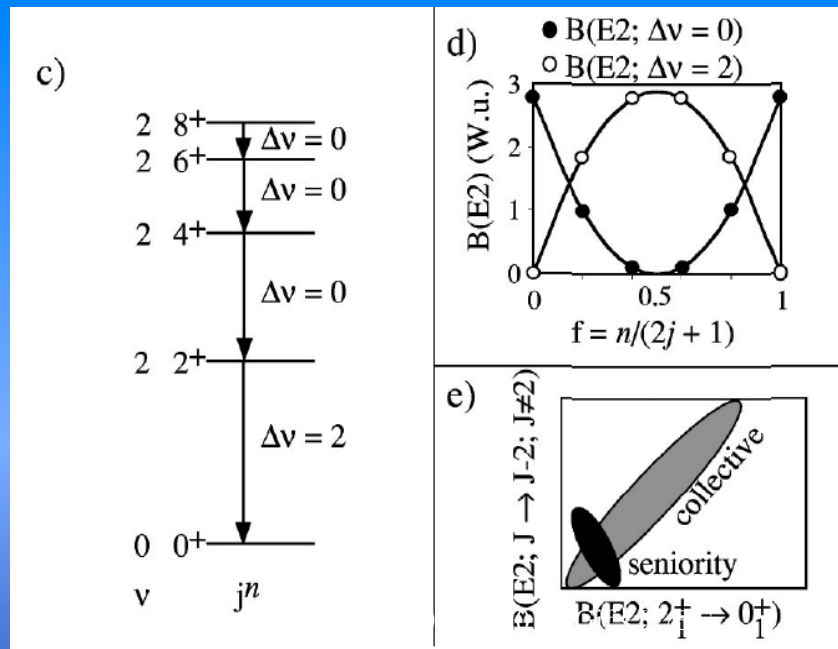
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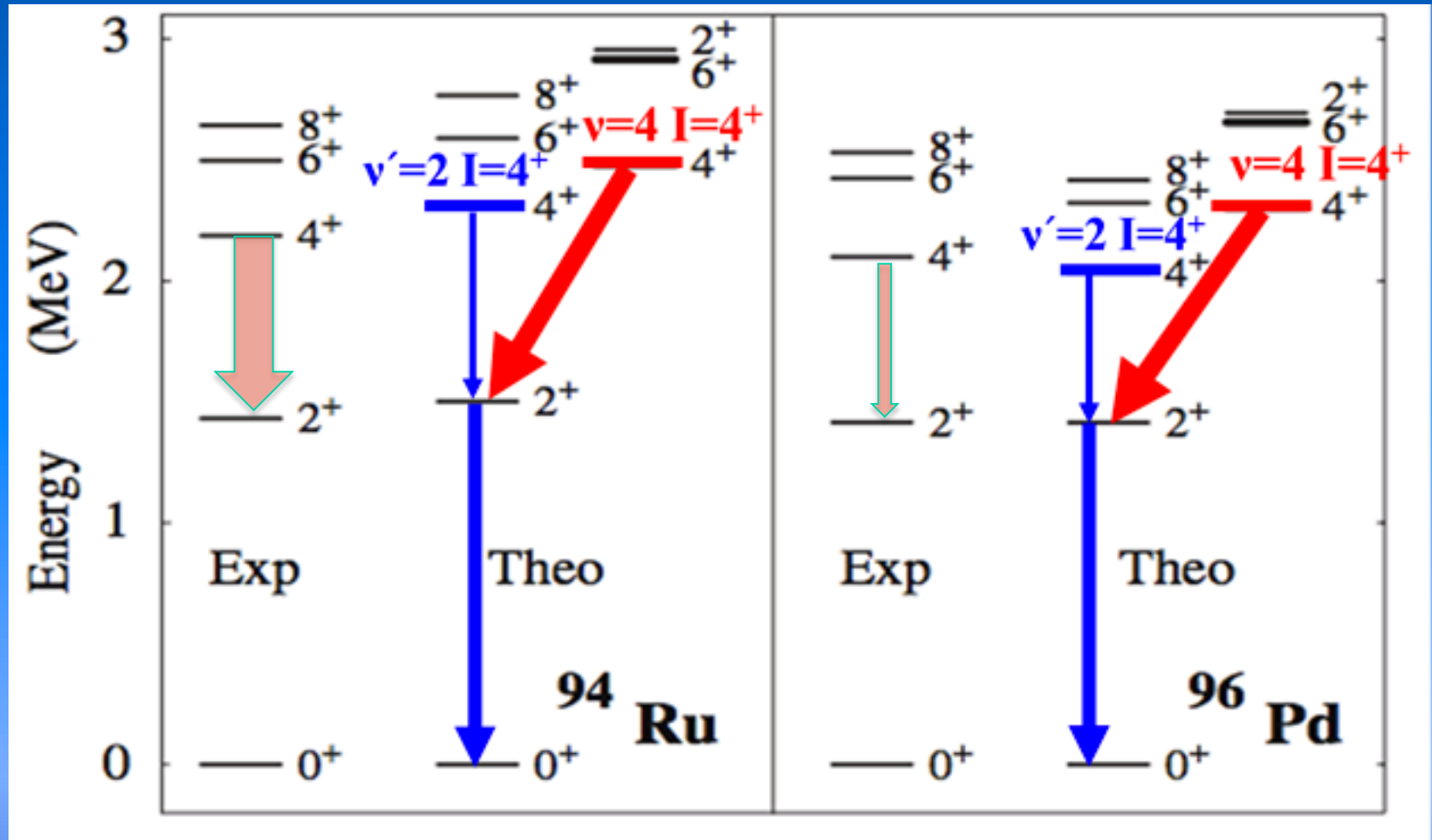
$B(E2)$  values from isomeric states near closed shells are discussed in the context of the behavior of seniority conserving transitions induced by even tensor operators. This result provides a signature for the transition from the seniority regime to collective motion that can be of use in identifying shell structure in exotic nuclei.

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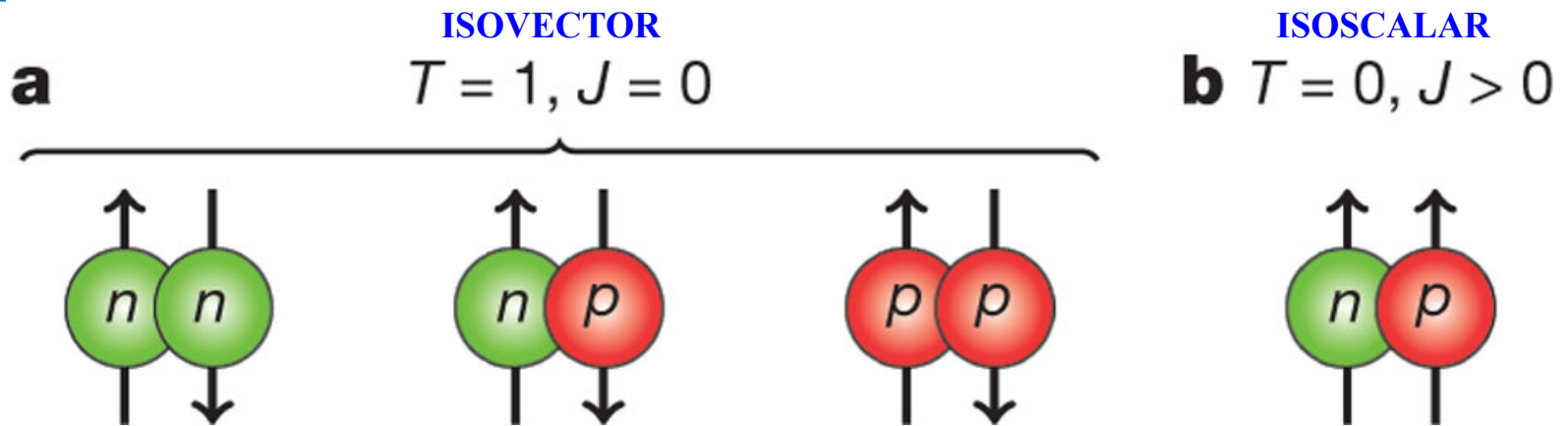


# Shell model predictions for semimagic $^{94}\text{Ru}$ and $^{96}\text{Pd}$ : "special" low-lying $\nu=4, I=4^+$ state



C. Qi, priv. comm.

# Neutron-proton pairing in $N = Z$ nuclei



When approaching  $N=Z$ , "normal" pair correlations may remain or even be extended as neutrons and protons occupy identical quantum states

- Binding energies in e-e and o-o nuclei indicate that  **$T=1$   $np$  pairing** is dominant, no evidence for a  $T=0$  (deuteron-like) pair condensate **up to around  $A \approx 60$**
- Comparison of spectroscopy data with mean-field calculations for  $A=60-76$  nuclei also suggests the presence of a strong isovector ( $T=1$ )  $np$  pair field at low spin, but no evidence for  $T=0$  pairing.

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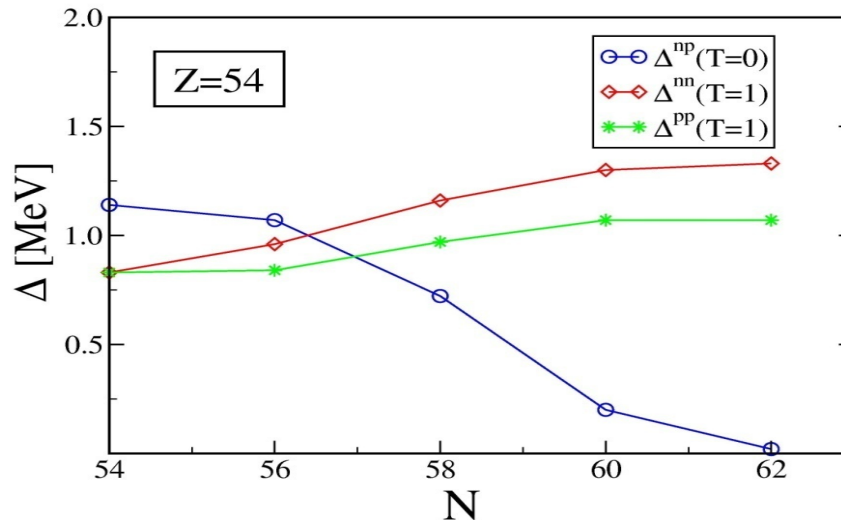
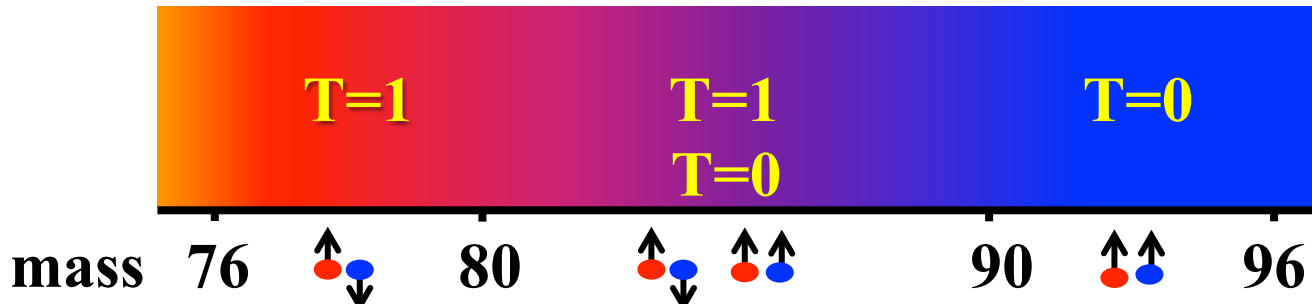
**We know the isoscalar effective NN interaction is strongly attractive but can it produce a correlated  $np$  pairing condensate???**



# Predictions for neutron-proton pairing in $N = Z$ nuclei

Does  $T=0$  pairing/ interaction play a role at low or high spin in heavier  $N=Z$  nuclei?

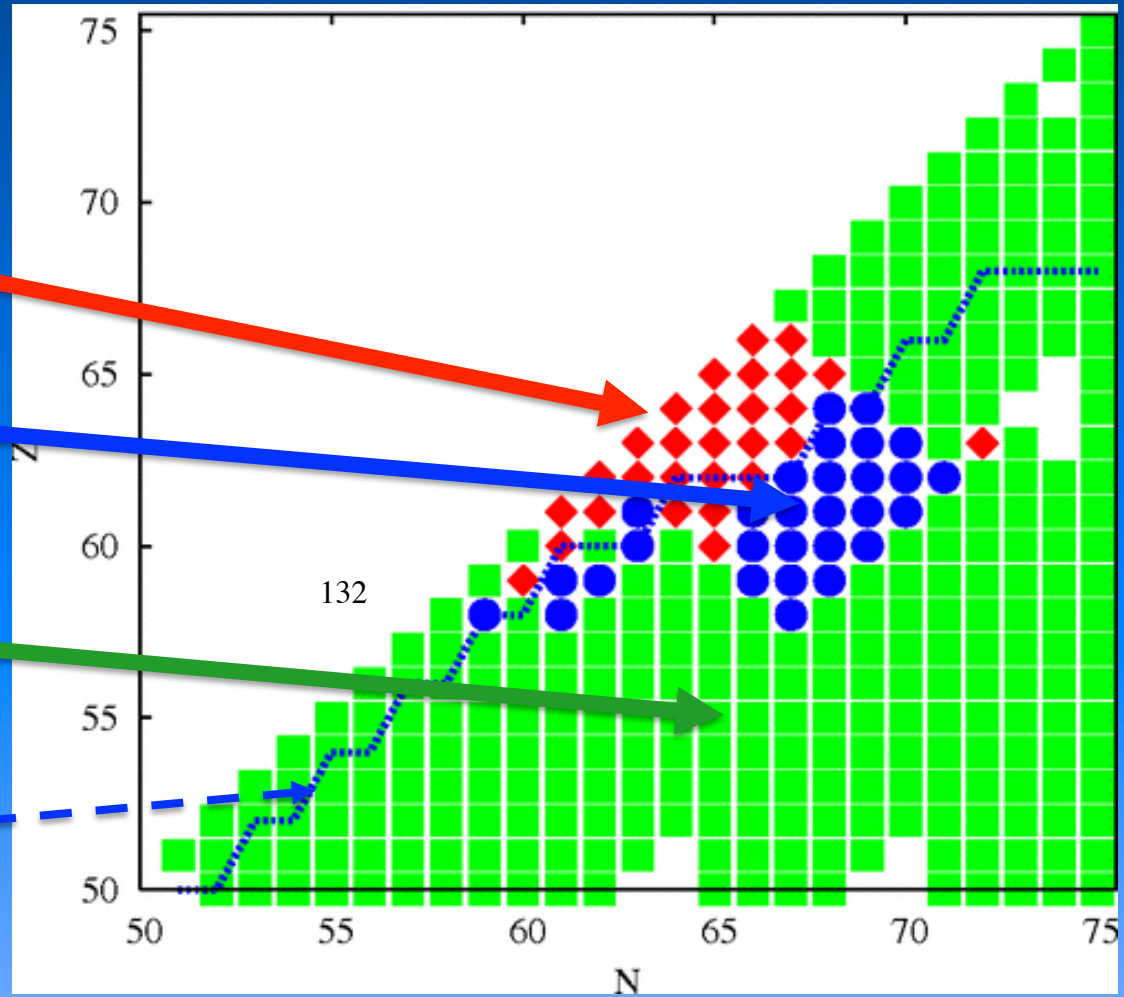
A. L. Goodman , *PRC* 60, 014311 (1999) -  
studies of ground states of e-e  $A = 76-96$ ,  $N = Z$  nuclei



W. Satula, R. Wyss,  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* Vol.  
86, 4488 (2001)

The isoscalar (np) pair gap is predicted to increase sharply as  $N \rightarrow Z$

# Island of ground-state isoscalar pairing condensates around $^{132}\text{Dy}_{66}$ ?



Isoscalar Pairing Condensate

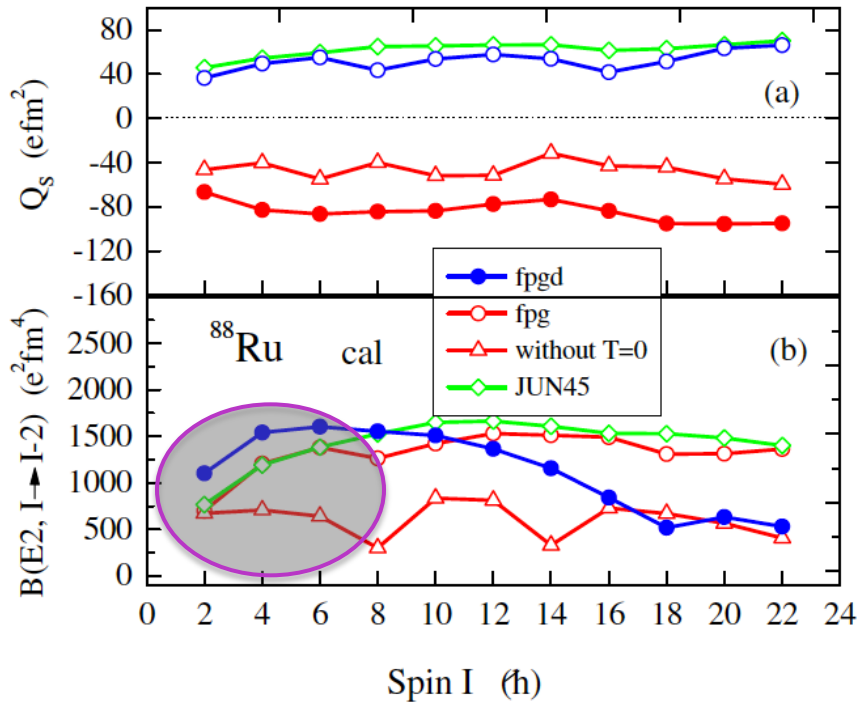
Mixed Pairing Condensate

Isovector Pairing Condensate

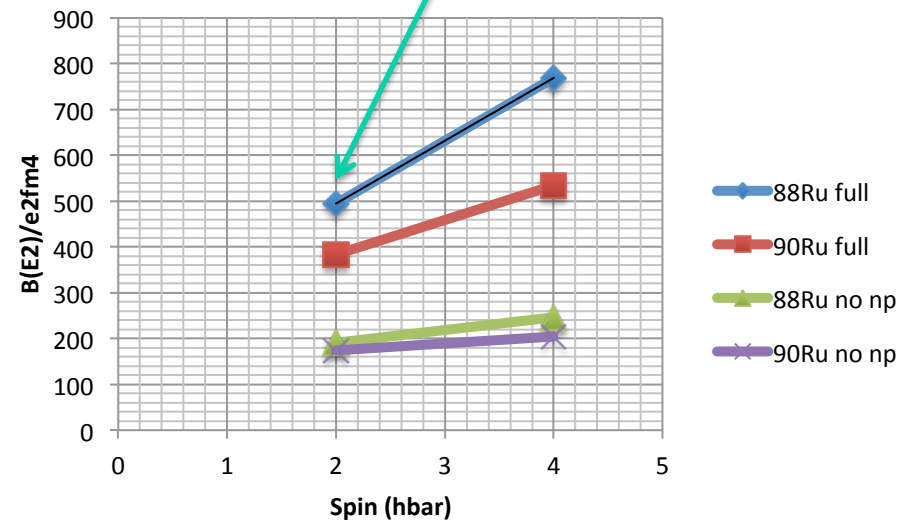
Proton dripline

Taken from  
 “Mixed-Spin Pairing Condensates in Heavy Nuclei“  
 A. Gezerlis, G. F. Bertsch, and Y. L. Luo  
 Phys. Rev. Lett. 106, 252502 (2011)

# LSSM calculations and np pairing in $^{88}\text{Ru}$ : Transition rates



$T_{1/2\text{theo}} = 26 \text{ ps}$



Note:  $e_p = 1.5 e$   $e_n = 1.1 e$

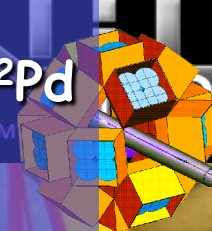
JUN45,  $e_p = 1.5 e$   $e_n = 0.5 e$

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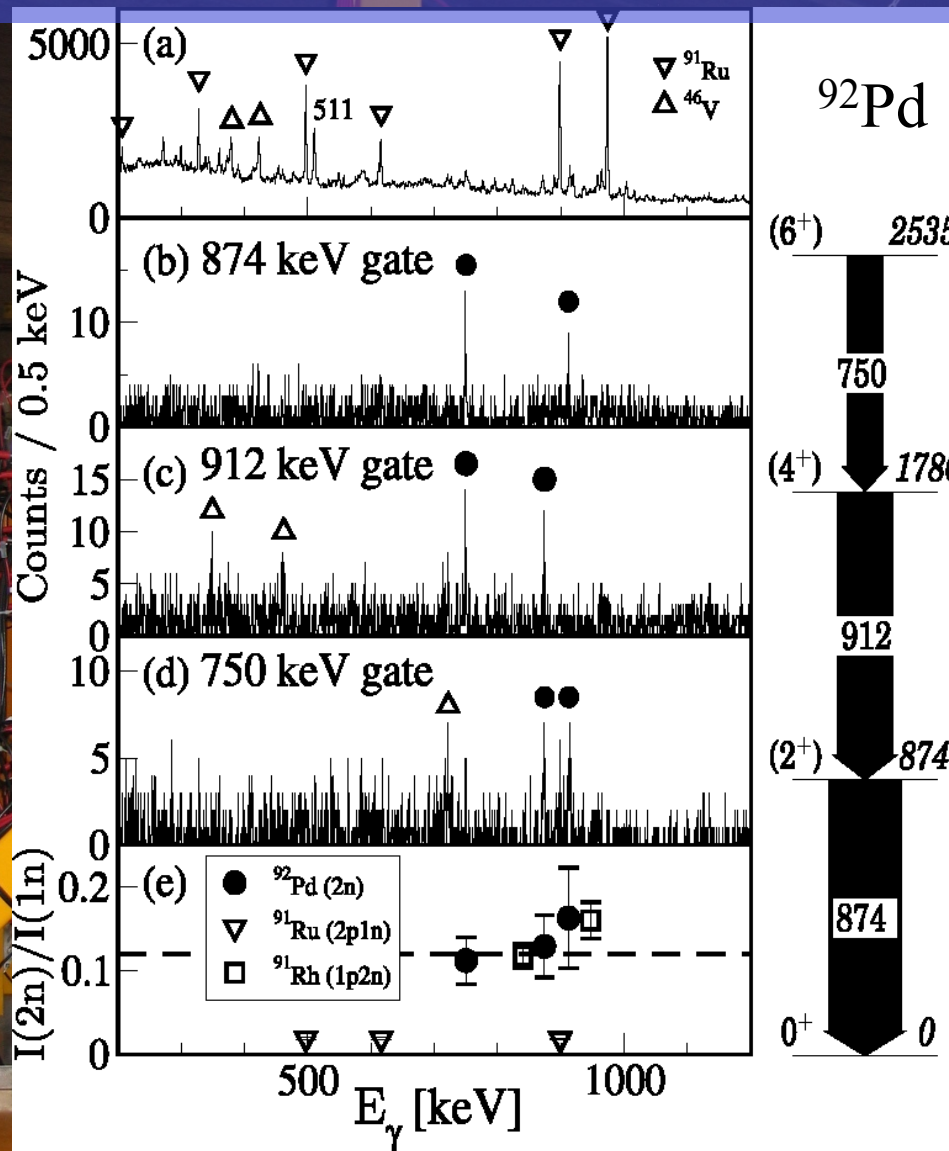
Enhancement of high-spin collectivity in  $N = Z$  nuclei by the isoscalar neutron-proton pairing  
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# Observation of excited states in the N=Z=46 nucleus $^{92}\text{Pd}$

## EXOGRAM + Neutron Wall + Diamant experiment

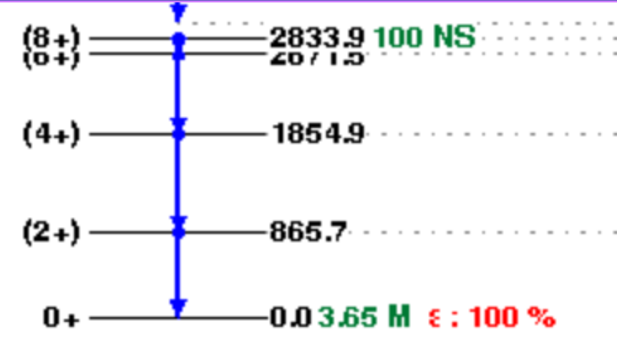


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## NuDat 2.7

Search and plot nuclear structure and decay data interactively. [More.](#)

### Levels and Gammas Search

Ground and excited states (energy,  $T_{1/2}$ , spin/parity, decay modes), gamma rays (energy, intensity, multipolarity, coinc.)

### Nuclear Wallet Cards Search

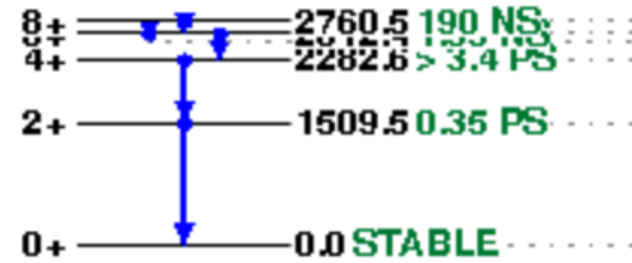
Latest Ground and isomeric states properties

### Decay

Radioactive interferences follow

Color code	Half-life	Decay Mode	$Q_{\beta^-}$	$Q_{EC}$	$Q_{\beta^+}$	$S_n$	$S_p$	$Q_{\alpha}$	$\Delta Q_{\alpha}$	$S_{2n}$	$S_{2p}$	$Q_{2\beta^-}$	$Q_{2EC}$
$Q_{\beta^-2n}$	BE/A	(BE-LDM Fit)/A	Pair. gap	$E_{1st}$ ex. st.	$E_{2+}$	$E_{3-}$	$E_{4+}$	$E_{4+}/E_{2+}$	$\beta_2$	$B(E2)_{42}/B(E2)_{20}$	$\sigma(n,\gamma)$	$\sigma(n,F)$	235U

Z	91Pd >1 $\mu$ s $\epsilon$	92Pd 0.7 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	93Pd 1.00 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00% $\epsilon_p$	94Pd 9.6 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	95Pd 5 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	96Pd 122 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	97Pd 3.10 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	98Pd 17.7 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	
45	89Rh >1.5 $\mu$ s $\epsilon$ P	90Rh 12 M s $\epsilon$	91Rh 1.47 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00% $\epsilon_p$ : 1.35%	92Rh 5.7 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00% $\epsilon_p$ : 100.00%	93Rh 12.2 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	94Rh 66 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00% $\epsilon_p$ : 1.80%	95Rh 5.02 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	96Rh 9.90 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	97Rh 30.7 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%
44	88Ru 1.2 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00% $\epsilon$	89Ru 1.5 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00% $\epsilon_p$ : 3.00%	90Ru 11.7 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	91Ru 8.0 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	92Ru 3.65 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	93Ru 59.7 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	94Ru 51.8 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	95Ru 1.643 H $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	96Ru STABLE 5.54%
43	87Tc 2.2 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	88Tc 6.4 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	89Tc 12.8 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	90Tc 8.7 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	91Tc 3.14 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	92Tc 4.25 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	93Tc 2.75 H $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	94Tc 293 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	95Tc 20.0 H $\epsilon$ : 100.00%
42	86Mo 19.1 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	87Mo 14.02 s $\epsilon$ : 100.00% $\epsilon_p$ : 15.00%	88Mo 8.0 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	89Mo 2.11 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	90Mo 5.56 H $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	91Mo 15.49 M $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	92Mo STABLE 14.53%	93Mo 4.0E+3 Y $\epsilon$ : 100.00%	94Mo STABLE 9.15%

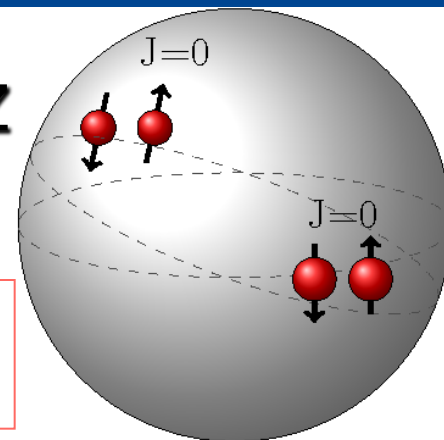
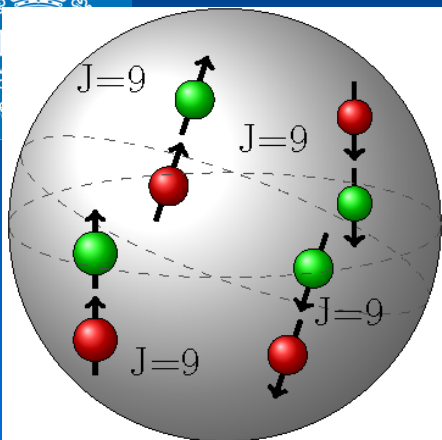


D. Ward et al., AECL rep. 1971

Ground and isomeric state information for  $^{92}_{44}\text{Ru}$

E(level) (MeV)	J $\pi$	$\Delta$ (MeV)	$T_{1/2}$	Decay Modes
0.0	0+	-74.3012	3.65 m s	$\epsilon$ : 100.00 %

# Pd level systematics near N=Z - effects of np interactions

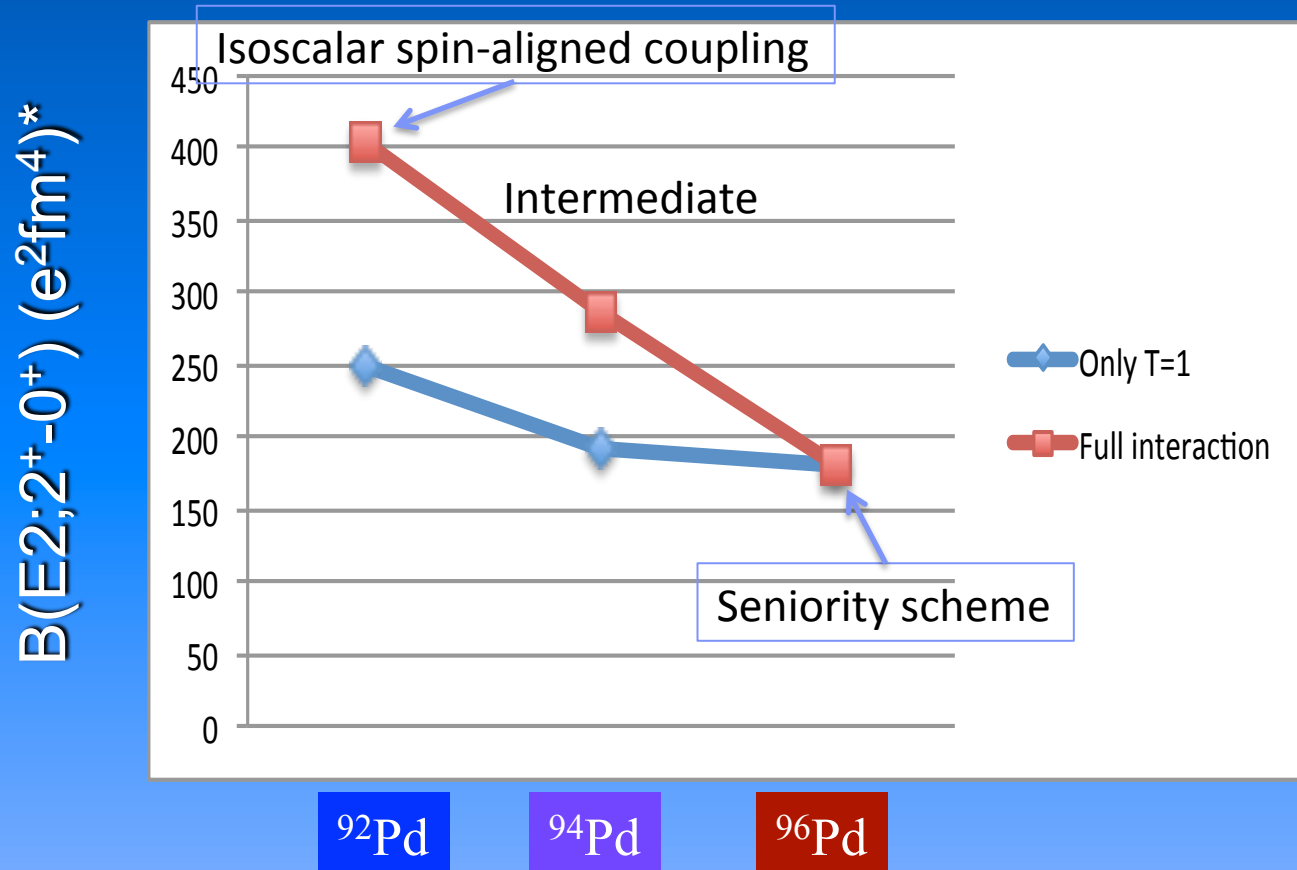


Calculations performed in several model spaces,  
i.e.,  $0g9/2$ ,  $0g9/2-1p1/2$  and  $0g9/2-1p1/2-0f5/2-1p3/2$   
which all give very similar results.  
Int. parameters determined to reproduce exp energies in  $^{94,95}\text{Pd}$ ,  $^{93,94}\text{Rh}$

$^{92}\text{Pd}$					$^{94}\text{Pd}$					$^{96}\text{Pd}$	
exp	SM	T=0	T=1	no np	no np	T=1	T=0	SM	exp	SM	exp
$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0	$0^+$ 0
$(2^+)$ 874	$2^+$ 878 <b>15</b>	$2^+$ 797	$2^+$ 1171	$2^+$ 1417	$2^+$ 1405	$2^+$ 1199	$2^+$ 864	$2^+$ 861 <b>11</b>	$2^+$ 814	$2^+$ 1460 <b>7.5</b>	$2^+$ 1415
$(4^+)$ 1786	$4^+$ 1708 20	$4^+$ 1518	$4^+$ 2079	$4^+$ 1709	$4^+$ 1709	$4^+$ 1682 13	$4^+$ 1709	$4^+$ 1682	$4^+$ 1720	8.2	$4^+$ 2099
$(6^+)$ 2536	$6^+$ 2466	$6^+$ 2110	$6^+$ 2749	$6^+$ 2633	$6^+$ 2635	$6^+$ 2588	$6^+$ 2374	$6^+$ 2330	$6^+$ 2380	$6^+$ 2636	$6^+$ 2530
	$8^+$ 3127	$8^+$ 2600	$8^+$ 2749	$8^+$ 2633	$8^+$ 2635	$8^+$ 2588	$8^+$ 2792	$8^+$ 2750	$8^+$ 2704	$8^+$ 2636	$8^+$ 2530
	$10^+$ 4072	$10^+$ 4065	$10^+$ 4052	$10^+$ 4052	$10^+$ 4052	$10^+$ 4065	$10^+$ 3862	$10^+$ 3796	$10^+$ 4131	$10^+$ 4131	$10^+$ 3784

Taken from B. Cederwall et al., Nature 469, 68 (2011)

# LSSM calculation, fpg valence space ( $f_{5/2}, p_{3/2}, p_{1/2}, g_{9/2}$ ) (all shells between 28 and 50) C. Qi

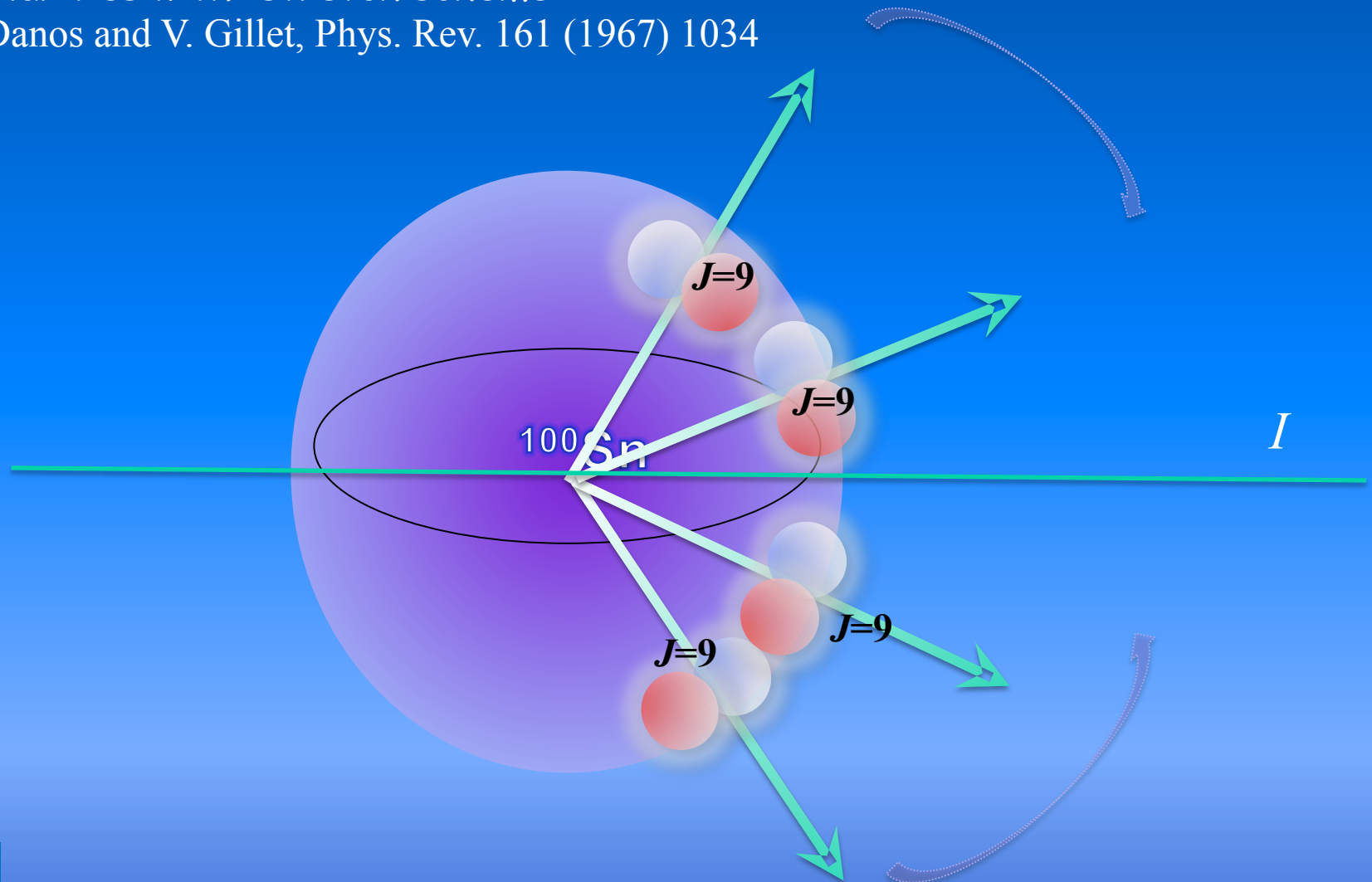


- 1 W.U. ~ 25 e<sup>2</sup>fm<sup>4</sup> here
- Effective charges, e<sub>p</sub>=1.5e, e<sub>n</sub>=0.5e  
M. Honma et al, Phys Rev C 80 064323 (2009)

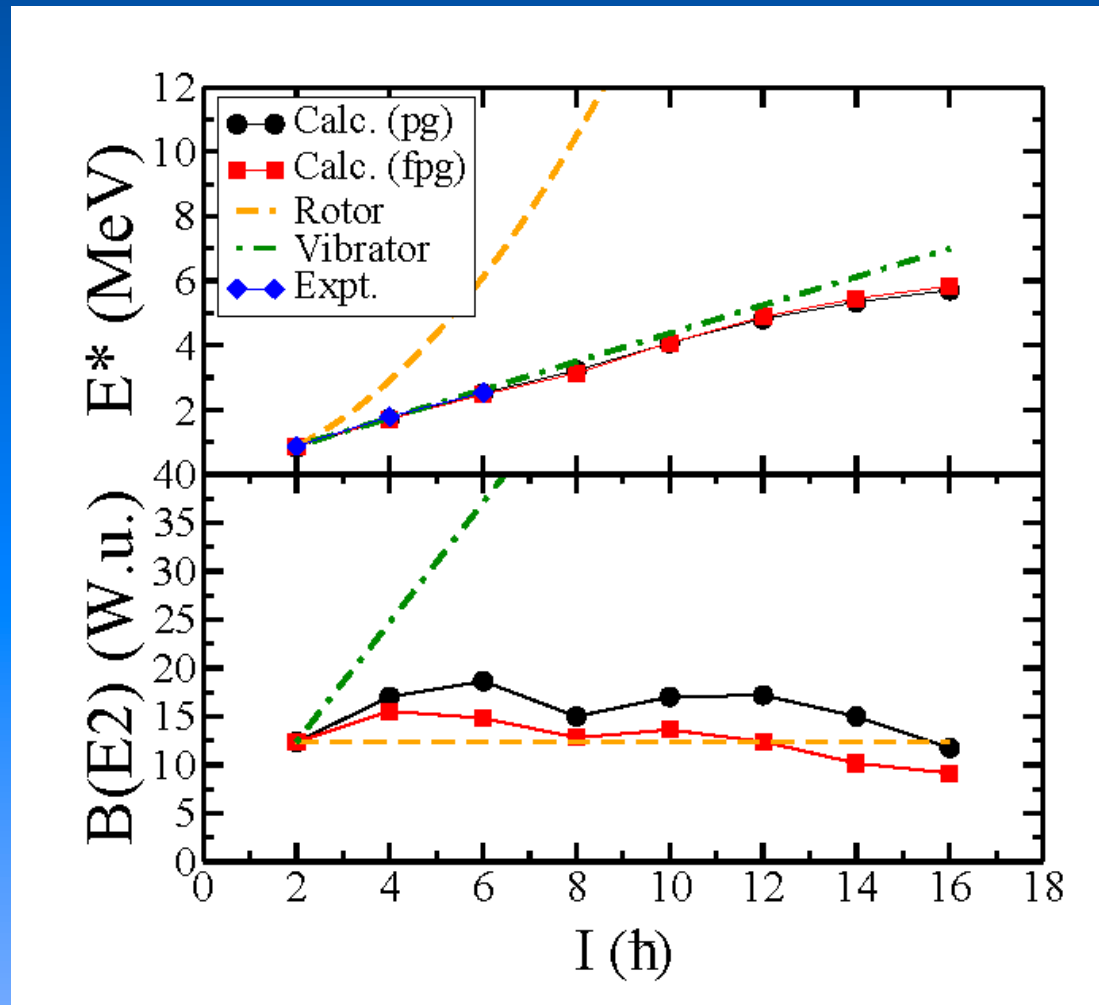
# Generation of angular momentum in the isoscalar spin-aligned coupling scheme ( $^{92}\text{Pd}$ )

Similarities with "stretch scheme"

M. Danos and V. Gillet, Phys. Rev. 161 (1967) 1034



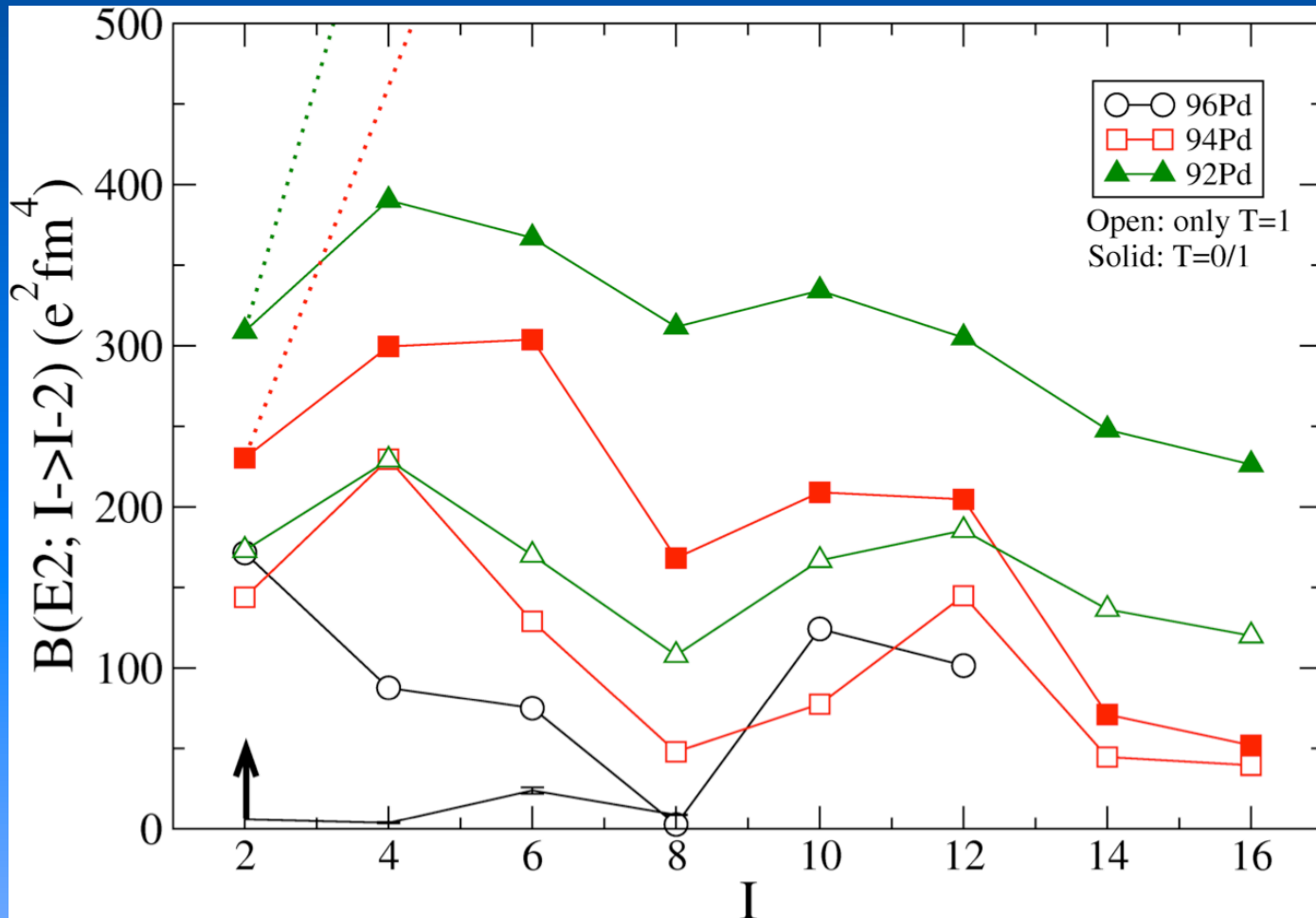




Shell model spectra and  $B(E2; I \rightarrow I - 2)$  values of  $^{92}\text{Pd}$  calculated within the  $1p_{3/2}0f_{5/2}1p_{1/2}0g_{9/2}$  space (fpg) and the  $1p_{1/2}0g_{9/2}$  space (pg). (B. Cederwall et al., Nature 469, 68 (2011); C. Qi Phys. Rev. C 84, (2011))

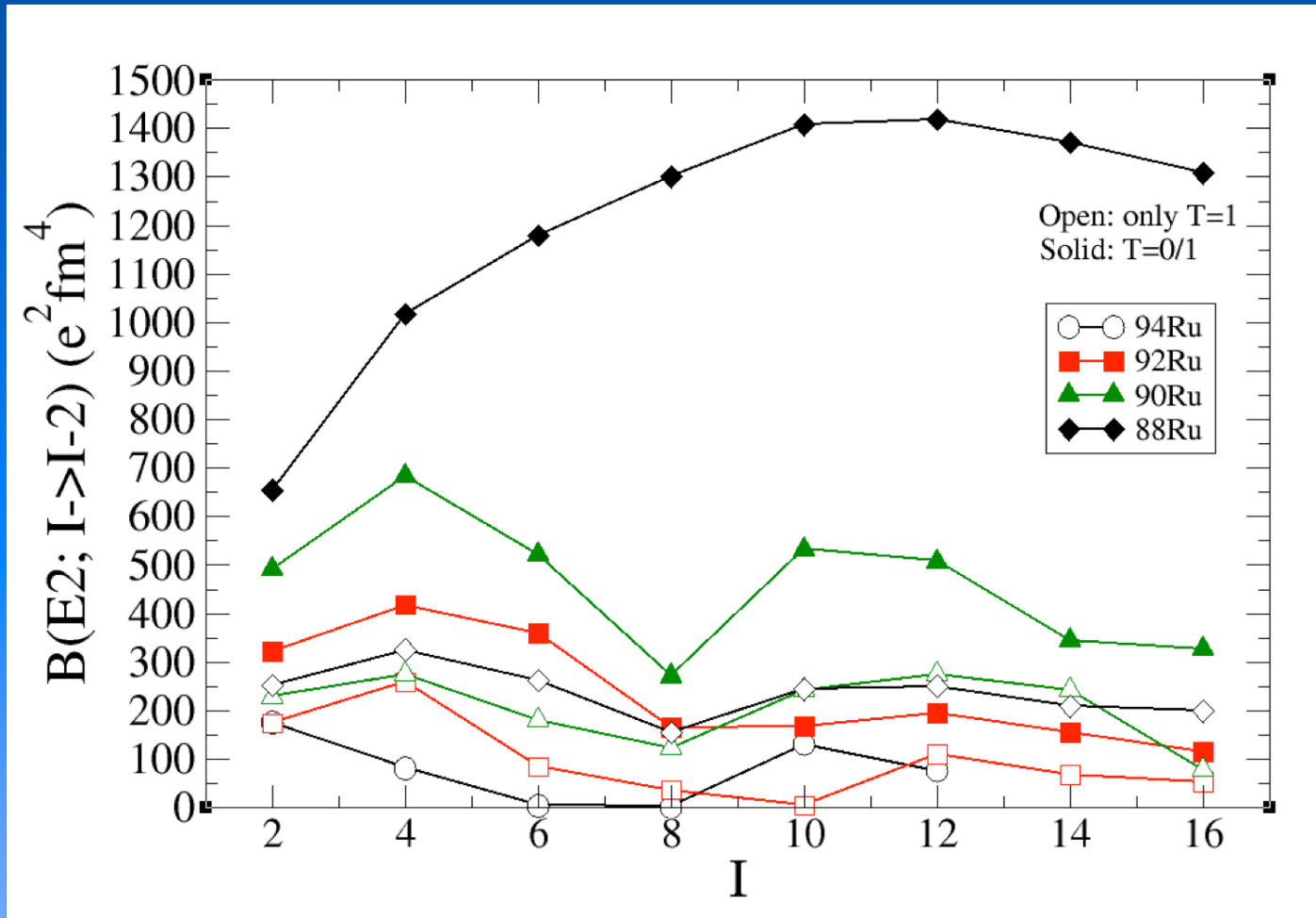
The two dashed lines show the predictions of the geometric collective model normalized to the  $2^+_1$  state

# Pd isotopes: SM calculations



Calculated  $B(E2; I \rightarrow I-2)$  values as a function of angular momentum in  $^{92,94,96}\text{Pd}$ . The calculations have been performed in the fpg space with the JUN45 interaction using standard effective charges. The theoretical calculations for the spectra of  $^{92,94}\text{Pd}$  include, in addition to full neutron-proton interactions (solid symbols), also results for pure  $T=1$  neutron-proton (open symbols) interactions. Dashed lines indicate schematically the prediction for collective harmonic vibration.

# Ru isotopes: SM calculations



Calculated  $B(E2; I \rightarrow I-2)$  values as a function of angular momentum in  $^{88-94}\text{Ru}$ . The calculations have been performed in the fpg space with the JUN45 interaction using standard effective charges. The theoretical calculations for the spectra of  $^{88,90,92}\text{Ru}$  include, in addition to full neutron-proton interactions (solid symbols), also results for pure T=1 neutron-proton (open symbols) interactions.

# Open questions:

- Seniority states in the  $g_{9/2}$  shell
- What is the relative strength of the isoscalar component of the NN interaction?
- What happens when moving from the N=50 magic shell closure towards the N=Z line?
- Do we find the “standard” behavior of increased quadrupole collectivity?
- Does isovector coupling (i.e. seniority-like structure) prevail?
- Or do we observe effects from a dominance of an isoscalar, “spin-aligned” coupling?



Thank you for your attention